

2,000 DEAD IN EXPLOSION; HALIFAX PARTLY IN RUINS

WORST DISASTER IN MANY YEARS

Few Catastrophes Have Exceeded It in Number of Dead—Others Recalled

EXPLOSIONS OF WAR

Only Three Tragedies Had More Killed and They Were of Volcanic Origin

Outside the toll of life claimed on land and sea by the great war, the catastrophe at Halifax today is by far the greatest disaster in many years. Numerous explosions have occurred in munitions plants in this country and Europe the most disastrous of which in this side was at the Eddystone plant of the DuPont Powder company at Chester, Pa., in April last in which 112 persons lost their lives.

The Halifax disaster is the most tragic explosion in the number of lives wiped out, in the last quarter of a century. Indeed few catastrophes of any nature exceed it in the number of dead—chiefly the Messina earthquake 1908, when approximately 250,000 lives were lost, the Mont Pelée volcanic eruption on the island of Martinique in 1902, when 40,000 persons lost their lives, and an earthquake in the interior of Italy in 1905, when 35,000 dead was the toll.

The Quebec theatre fire in Chicago in 1903 claimed 573 lives, while the sinking of the excursion steamship Slocum in the East river, New York, in 1891, left a death list of about 1400.

In 1906 the earthquake and fire in San Francisco took the lives of approximately 1,000 persons, while the loss of the steamship Titanic in collision with an iceberg in 1912, resulted in a toll of 1,503 dead.

In 1914 the steamship, Empress of Ireland went down in the St. Lawrence river near Father's Point Quebec, with a loss of 1,027 lives. Then followed the sinking of the Lusitania by a German torpedo and the steamship Eastland in the Chicago river in 1915 with death lists respectively of 1193 and 812. In October of this year it was reported that 4,000 persons had lost their lives in munitions explosions in Austria but this report has never been confirmed.

EASY GRAFT IS GAME OF FAKE WAR CHARITY

"Confidence" Men Drift to New York From All Over Country to Play It

New York, Dec. 6.—Confidence men came to New York from all parts of the country to prey upon persons ready to contribute to war charities. Michael J. Delahanty told the district attorney today after pleading not guilty to an indictment charging him with forgery and grand larceny in connection with the raising of funds to aid soldiers' dependents. The defendant announced he would help in the war charities inquiry here and went before the grand jury.

It was the easiest graft I ever engaged in, Delahanty said to the prosecutor. Every person you met fell and fell hard. It was easier than picking up rocks along the palisades. I was not the only one doing it. The dead sure men came from all over the country to New York where it had gone forth the graft was easy and the town was soon filled with 'con' men. This was what spoiled the game. Some of them were not satisfied with a couple of hundred dollars and started out to use sledge hammer methods and the people began to take notice. Right there is where I quit."

Testes Winkelman, indicted with Delahanty, also pleaded not guilty and will testify before the grand jury.

NOT TO AID ITALY AGAINST POPE
London, England, Dec. 6.—In the house of commons today Lord Robert Cecil minister of blockade, denied that England and France had entered into any understanding to support Italy against the Holy See if the Holy See attempted to make efforts for peace.

TO LYNCHATE FUSION BOOKS.
New York, Dec. 6.—District Attorney Nathan today subpoenaed the books containing the record of campaign receipts and disbursements of the fusion campaign committee in the municipal election.

7 Belgium Relief Ships Are Believed at Halifax

New York, Dec. 6.—Officials of the Belgian relief commission said tonight that they had no knowledge of what ship under their control if any might have been in Halifax harbor today. William Honnold, of the commission said he was sure the American Holland American line's Nieuw Amsterdam eastward bound with a Belgian relief cargo was in the Nova Scotia port and that it was likely six westward steamships in which the relief commission is interested here also. In the absence of advices from the masters of the vessel it would be impossible he said, to attempt to identify the ships.

Norton Lyle & Co., agents for the Belgian relief ships, said that several of them have left Holland within the last few weeks and were to stop at Halifax but seldom these ships were heard from until they arrive in the United States.

TERRORS OF AIR RAID HALIFAX'S FIRST IDEA

Three Distinct Shocks—Thousands Rush Into Streets—Suffering Severe

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 6.—The horrors of an air raid possessed the minds of many when the explosion on the Mont Blanc shook this fortress town to its very foundations today. There were three distinct shocks. First a comparatively light rumble like a seismic disturbance startled the city. A moment later a terrific blast made even the citadel quake. Then a crash of glass throughout a wide area completed the confusion.

Thousands rushing into the open saw a thick cloud of grey smoke hanging over the north end of the city. This strengthened their conviction of an attack by air. It was feared other explosions would follow and so far as possible the frightened ones herded in the southern part of the city.

Systematic efforts were being made tonight to identify the dead but great difficulty was encountered because many had suffered injury which made recognition impossible. Despite the prompt and generous succor from nearby cities there was much suffering among homeless. The temperature while not low for this district held below freezing.

The steamship Imo caught fire and she too seemed for a time in imminent peril of destruction.

Fear of food shortage is entertained by some though encouragement is found in the word that trainloads of provisions are already on the way here from several points. The immediate feeding of homeless ones amid the confusion remains a serious problem. Everything possible is being done to systematize the distribution of food.

The munition ship which was in collision with the cargo boat Imo was the Mont Blanc a French steam ship of 2,550 net tons.

The crew of the Mont Blanc escaped safely from the blazing vessel. The pilot asserts the collision was due to confusion of collision signals.

The Mont Blanc arrived at an Atlantic port Nov. 15. No details of her movements have been received since then. She was built at Middleboro in 1889 and her gross tonnage was 7,121. She was 320 feet long.

ARMY EXPENSE BILL TO BE KEPT SECRET

Many Debates on Appropriations Will Be Held Behind Closed Doors

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—Hearings on the new army appropriation bill for the fiscal year of 1919 will begin tomorrow before the house military committee with Maj. Gen. Crozier chief of ordnance as the first war department official called to explain the government's war program in detail. Representative Dent chairman of the committee, called at the department today to arrange for the sessions.

Military necessarily requires that the war and navy appropriation sessions this year will be regarded as secret and many of them will be held behind closed doors.

General Crozier's estimate in the army bill covers only a part of the ordnance program.

BELGIAN RELIEF VESSEL HITS MUNITIONS STEAMER IN HARBOR

Shrapnel and Shells Fly Over City, Spreading Destruction; Many Killed When Buildings Crumple; Women and Children Trapped in Homes

SCENES OF TERROR AS CITY CATCHES FIRE

Dominion of Canada Plunged Into Mourning by Worst Disaster in History of American Continent—Two Square Miles Laid Waste—Damage Will Run Into the Millions.

Halifax, N. S., Dec. 7.—With the toll of dead steadily mounting, it was believed early this morning that more than 2,000 persons lost their lives in the explosion and fire which followed the collision yesterday morning in Halifax harbor between a munitions laden French ship and another vessel loaded with supplies for the Belgian relief commission. The disaster, which has plunged the Dominion into mourning, probably will rank as the most fearful that ever occurred on the American continent. Residents of Halifax and thousands of volunteer workers who have come into the city have been almost dazed at the extent of the horror.

Temporary morgues have been established in many buildings to which a steady procession of vehicles of all kinds have been carrying for hours the bodies of men, women and children. Most of them were so charred that they were unrecognizable. Thousands of persons seeking trace of relatives have passed by the long silent rows attempting by the flickering light of lamps and lanterns to identify the ones they sought.

Convert Buildings into Hospitals.

Virtually every building in the city which could be converted into a hospital and there the injured were carried, many of whom have little chance of recovery. An ever increasing number of suffering is being taken from the completely devastated Richmond section.

The city was in darkness tonight except for the flames from the fires still burning in the wrecked buildings in the north end. The electric light and gas plants have been virtually destroyed and the only lights available are kerosene lamps. They furnished the illumination by means of which surgeons and doctors toiled heroically throughout the night caring for the injured.

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Two Square Miles Laid Waste.

The zone of destruction in Halifax itself extends from the North street railway station as far north as Africville to Bedford Basin and covers an area of about two square miles in the section known as Richmond. The buildings which were not demolished by the force of the terrific explosion were destroyed by the fire which followed.

Scores of persons were injured by the collapse of the railway station. Arena rink, military gymnasium, sugar refineries and elevators. All business has been suspended. Armed guards of soldiers and sailors are patrolling the city. Not a street car is moving and part of Halifax is in darkness tonight. All hospitals and many private houses are filled with injured. Temporarily hospitals and morgues have been opened in school houses in the western section of the city.

Between 800 and 1,000 persons were killed according to careful estimates tonight when the French munitions ship Mont Blanc blew up in Halifax harbor after a collision with a Belgian relief ship, Imo, at 9 o'clock this morning. Thousands were injured and it is expected the deaths will reach 2,000. Twenty five wagon loads of bodies have arrived at one morgue.

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Worst Disaster in Canada's History.

The damage along the water front cannot yet be estimated. Many of the men composing the crews of the ships in the harbor were killed and injured. On one steamer, the Picton, it is reported that 22 of the crew of 42 were killed. Bodies of many seamen have been picked up in the harbor. Rescue parties working among the ruins of

buildings are removing the bodies of the dead.

The collision, which resulted in probably the worst disaster in the history of the Dominion, occurred near pier 8 in the narrow leading from the harbor to Bedford Basin. The munition ship was bound from New York to Bedford basin when the relief ship Imo, bound seaward, crashed into her.

The Mont Blanc was pierced on the port side almost to the engine room. The other ship which was slightly damaged, backed away when the flames burst out on the munitions ship and was abandoned by the crew. The captain of the Mont Blanc ordered his crew to the boats as he realized an explosion was inevitable. The men reached shore safely before the tremendous blast 17 minutes later which blew the ship to pieces and wrecked a large part of the city.

People Helplessly Tossed Around

The business life of the city had just begun for the day when the town was shaken to its foundations by the explosion. Persons in the streets were picked up bodily and hurled to the ground. Occupants of office buildings were covered under a shower of falling glass and plaster. Houses in the Richmond section crumpled and collapsed leaving their tenants.

In the main part of the city where the buildings are chiefly of stone or concrete the damage was confined to the shattering of windows and most of the casualties in this section were caused by flying glass.

In the west and northwest ends the damage was more extensive and there the walls of many houses were blown to atoms. It was in Richmond, however opposite the scene of the explosion that the havoc was greatest. Whole blocks of dwellings mostly of frame construction were levelled. Street after street is in ruins and the structures which were left standing by the explosion were destroyed by fires which broke out simultaneously in a score of places and which it was impossible to check until they had burned themselves out. It is believed scores of persons who had been injured by the collapse of their homes perished in the flames from which they were helpless to flee.

Frenzied People Think Germans Come

Five minutes after the explosion the streets in all parts of Halifax were filled with frenzied, panic stricken throngs striving to reach the outskirts in an effort to escape what they believed was a mad by a German fleet. Hundreds of them had been cut by the shower of glass which followed the explosion.

In the Richmond sections the scenes enacted defied description. Seriously injured men and women crawled from the wreckage of their homes and lay in the streets until they were removed in ambulances and automobiles to hospitals. Those less seriously hurt did those more gravely injured. In the streets piled high with debris were

found the shattered bodies of many women and children. Several children were crushed to death when they were hurled against telegraph poles by the force of the explosion. In scores of cases occupants of houses who had escaped without injury or who were only slightly hurt were baffled by the flames in their search for members of their family and were forced to stand by impotent while what had once been their homes became funeral pyres for the loved ones. A government employee named McDonald, who made all speed to reach his home after the explosion found that his wife and four children had perished. His two year old daughter had been killed while playing in the yard of his home. Among those killed were the chief of the fire department and his deputy who were hurled to death when his fire engine exploded.

Scores of School Tots Die at Studies

Scores of those who go to their lives were children in the public schools in the north district. Many others suffered broken limbs and were rescued with difficulty. The teachers who escaped injury worked heroically to save the lives of the children under their charge.

Lebanon Coleman manager of the Canadian Express company was killed when the roof of the north station collapsed.

In less than half an hour after the disaster, 5,000 persons had gathered on the commons and thousands of others had sought refuge in fields outside the city. Hundreds were reported missing by their relatives and it was not known whether they were alive or dead.

The work of rescue and relief was promptly organized. The Academy of Music and many other public buildings were thrown open to house the homeless. Five hundred tents have been erected on the commons and these will be occupied by the troops who have surrendered their barracks to the women and children.

A very good and cranny in all available buildings was made ready within an hour to receive the wounded. A steady stream of ambulances and automobiles arrived at hospitals which were soon filled to capacity with the injured. Doctors, nurses and volunteers toiled tirelessly in the work of rescue. Their ranks soon were swelled by others who arrived in steadily increasing numbers from nearby towns.

Those who were only slightly injured were sent to their own homes or to those of friends after their wounds had been treated. There were hundreds of cases of serious injury, however and it is expected that the death list will be greatly increased by those who succumb to their wounds.

Improvised Ambulances Hurry Around

Automobiles were still scurrying about all sections of the city tonight carrying blanket clad burdens.

A committee of citizens already has

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Declaration of War Is Expected in 24 Hours

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—A declaration of war against Austria-Hungary promised tonight to be voted by congress within the next 24 hours.

Consideration of the war resolutions will begin tomorrow in both senate and house and developments today virtually made it certain that sentiment in favor of including declarations against Turkey and Bulgaria in spite of President Wilson's advice had been checked. Administration leaders of both bodies tonight expressed confidence that debate would be comparatively brief and that the declaration would be approved by overwhelming vote tomorrow.

The only obstacles lie in the difficulty of senate procedure and technical differences over the form of final draft.

NO DEATHS IN FIGHT BY U. S. ENGINEERS

Pershing's Report Gives Twelve Wounded—Man Dies in Accident in Navy

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—Second Lieut. Alvin H. Cone and 12 enlisted men of the American army engineers have been wounded in action, General Pershing today reported to the war department.

General Pershing gave no details except that the men were wounded on Nov. 30 the day on which American engineers working with the British army assisted General Byng's forces in stemming a German assault near Cambrai. Cable dispatches said some of the engineers were killed but General Pershing's report contained no names of dead.

Lieut. Cone and 11 of the enlisted men were seriously and one man slightly wounded.

Seriously Wounded

Sergeant Frank Huley, 1st Regt J. A. Frank, New York city.
Sergeant Patrick A. Long, Brother, Joseph Long, Bayonne, N. J.
Corp. Philip A. Berk, 1st Regt Mrs. Bertha Klingener, Brooklyn.
Corp. Charles J. Gatchley, Mother, Mrs. Rose Cristchley, New York city.
Corp. James Angus, 1st Regt James Angus, Aberdeen, Scotland.
Priv. James A. Grogan, Mother, Mrs. Mary J. Grogan, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Priv. Isador S. Lisenbeigel, Brother, Joseph Lisenbeigel, New Castle, Pa.
Priv. James A. Jagen, Mother, Mrs. John Jagen, Great Neck, N. Y.
Priv. Win. I. Bunces, Sister, Mrs. Agnes M. Bunces, Portland, Ore.
Priv. Charles A. Geiger, Mother, Mrs. M. L. Geiger, Chicago, Ill.
Priv. Geo. B. Jones, Father, Thomas H. Jones, Scranton, Pa.

Slightly Wounded

Private Louis H. Rowland, 1st Regt J. A. Frank, Brooklyn, N. Y.
Lieut. Cone's emergency address is L. G. Cone, Alford, Calif.

One Killed in Navy

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—Vice Admiral Sims reported to the navy department a discipline incident in the navy zone in which one American sailor was killed and a gunnery mate injured.

Seaman Claude Albert Baker was killed and his body has not been recovered. It is assumed the incident occurred at sea though this is not stated in the dispatch. Baker enlisted at Nashville, Tenn., Dec. 27, 1916. His father is William D. Baker, Larrows Point, Md.

Robert Thompson, first class gunnery mate, suffered a fracture of the right side of the skull in a fight Aug. 28, 1917. His father is J. J. Thompson, St. Paul, Minn.

TO TISS SUGAR MERCHANTS

New York, Dec. 6.—Two wholesale sugar merchants accused of selling sugar at prices in excess of those fixed by the food administrators and of compelling customers to make combination purchases will be given a hearing next Tuesday morning before the federal food board announced tonight. Federal Food Administrator Arthur Williams of New York city said he has a clear case against one of the men.

JOHN D. JR. IN "Y" WORK.

Wrightston, N. Y., Dec. 6.—John D. Rockefeller Jr. will work as a Young Men's Christian Association field secretary at the Camp Dix encampment here for two weeks. The volunteer council of the Y. M. C. A. announced tonight.

BYNG WITHDRAWS AT SOME POINTS

Movement Made in Perfect Order to Straighten and Strengthen Salient

HUNS CALL IT VICTORY

Austro-Germans Make Frantic Efforts to Break Through Italian Lines

The carefully laid plans of General Byng to withdraw his troops at various points on the Cambrai salient to more tenable positions has been carried out in perfect order and apparently without the Germans even having knowledge of the movement.

The falling back was made necessary by wedges driven into the salient last week by the Germans which on several sectors threatened disaster to the British should they continue to hold their positions.

From an arc extending before Cambrai a distance of about 18 miles the new British front has been lessened to a length of about ten miles with the bases resting in the north in the region of Meuse and in the south near Connelieu.

Germans Claim Move as Victory.

As a result of the backward movement the Germans claim the reoccupation of Graincourt, Anneux, Noyelle, and the woods and heights north of Maroilles, and that their uncontested gains have been to a depth of about two and a half miles over a front of 6 1/2 miles. The Berlin war office answers that since the German offensive in the Cambrai region began British prisoners in excess of 9,000 and 148 guns have been taken.

On the Italian front the Austro-Germans are making frantic efforts to break through the Italian positions and debouch upon the plain of Venetia. In the Asiago plateau region battles of almost unprecedented violence are taking place the Teutonic allies using a great array of guns and countless thousands of men in their efforts to overcome the Italian resistance. On the Meleda sector the enemy made some slight advances but only through the sacrifice of large numbers of men. The Italians resisting determinedly foot by foot. To the east an enemy attempt to carry the Italian line of defense in the upper Brenna valley met with repulse and many casualties.

Claim Capture of 11,000 Italians.

The Berlin war office in a communication announcing the taking of the Meleda positions says that in the new offensive of the Teutonic allies 11,000 Italians have been made prisoner and more than 60 of their guns have been captured.

From Berlin comes the announcement that at a truce of ten days to begin Friday at noon has been arranged for the entire Russian front. In verification of previous reports that the Rumanians were not seeking an armistice with the enemy to fraternize with the Rumanian troops. Denial also is made that the new Ukrainian government had opened negotiations for a separate peace with the central power.

SCHWAB ASKS PART PAYMENT FROM U. S.

Enormous Increases in Size of Bethlehem Plant Calls For More Capital

Washington, D. C., Dec. 6.—An advance payment on munitions and other contracts for the government was asked today by Charles Schwab and Eugene Greer of the Bethlehem Steel company who conferred with secretaries Baker and Daniels and told them that the contracts could not be expedited without financial aid as they were unable to obtain adequate funds from the banks. The request was taken under consideration.

Enormous increases of the size of its plant has been undertaken by the company to handle war contracts.

The navy's destroyer program is not involved. These and all other contracts made on a cost plus 10 per cent profit basis already have been taken care of by the government on its authority to advance up to 30 per cent of the amount of an order for the purpose of aiding a contractor to prepare his plant for quick deliveries.

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been formed and assistance is asked from all outside points. The supplies most needed are also tarpaper, cement, putty, bedding and blankets. The mayors of all towns in the province have been asked to rush supplies to Halifax.

The force of the explosion was felt at Truro 75 miles away where windows were shattered. All telegraph and telephone wires were torn down and for several hours Halifax was completely isolated from the outside world.

The concussion shattered the big gas tank of the city. All power plants are out of commission and newspaper offices have been so badly wrecked that publication is impossible.

Confusion of Signals Causes Collision.

Pilot Frank Mackl of the Mont Blanc declared tonight that the collision resulted from a confusion of whistles sounded by the two ships. He believed that the fire which caused the explosion was due to the fact that the munitions ship carried a deck load of benzene.

Charles Frost, gasoline engineer on the steamer Wasp, which had been in drydock, had a narrow escape from death.

"We had 80 gallons of gasoline in our tanks when a shell from the munitions ship struck us," he said. "We had just left dry dock to go to Bedford Basin to get some plates and were opposite the Lorne club, when we saw the Imo coming down from the Basin and the Mont Blanc going up."

"I heard the Belgian steamer's whistle blowing, then I saw the munitions ship was on fire on the starboard side. We tried to turn back to warn the officials at the dry dock, but before we reached there, the shell struck us. I believe I was the only one on the Wasp to escape as she was blown up. My son, who worked with the dry dock, was killed."

Col. MacKenzie Bell, who spent two years on the firing line in Flanders, said tonight he never had seen anything on the battle front to equal the scenes of destruction he witnessed in Halifax today.

It was reported tonight that all guests in hotels in the city are safe. Some of them were cut by flying glass, but none of them were seriously injured.

TORONTO IRON WORKS DESTROYED BY FIRE

Mysterious Blaze Does Damage Near \$300,000 and Stops Ship Building

Toronto, Ont., Dec. 6.—Fire which originated in the pattern shop of the Polson Iron Works on the Toronto waterfront early tonight, completely destroyed that building and a number of sheds and badly damaged a large freight boat and a trawler. The total damage was estimated at from \$250,000 to \$300,000, covered by insurance. The origin of the fire is a mystery.

William Newman, manager of the Iron Works, when asked about the number of aliens employed at the plant and whether they might be responsible, replied:

"I don't know. Remember we are at war."

Three large ocean freighters of from 8,500 to 4,000 tons displacement are under construction at the works, as well as two trawlers. Two of the freighters were "overboard" but the others were on the ways and were so badly damaged that their launching will be set back several weeks.

The fire was discovered by two workers and they immediately sent in an alarm. The pattern shop is on the waterfront, a considerable distance from the street adjoining the entrance and firemen were hampered by the maze of machinery and sheds through which hose had to be laid.

The pattern shops contained designs of engines and machinery which had been used in the construction of boats during the last 30 years and all these were destroyed. Men of all nationalities are employed as laborers at the works. It was stated that work of reconstruction would be started at once.

SPRINTS AT BIKE RACE

New York, Dec. 6.—There was plenty of sensational sprinting by the riders in the six day bicycle race in Madison Square garden tonight most of it being the outcome of many futile attempts by Oscar Egg and his new partner, Peter Brodbeck, to get out at last place.

Fred Weber got a nasty fall when Magin's bicycle hit his hind wheel in the back stretch, after the finish of eight of the regular ten sprints for points tonight. Weber had to be carried to his cot but as his partner was sleeping at the time he insisted on continuing.

At midnight the ninety sixth hour of the eight leading teams had covered 1,704 miles eight laps. Egg and Brodbeck and Chapman and Eager were two laps in the lead. Magin was in the lead. The record is 1,801 miles and nine laps, made by Cameron and Kaiser in 1911. Lenoir and Debaets quit the race at 12:10.

CHINESE REBELS TAKE CITY.

Peking, China, Dec. 5.—Rebels have taken the city of Chingking. A state of panic exists there. Japanese marines have landed to protect foreigners.

Just received a car of Windsor, Snowdrift and Diamond flour. Ask your grocer. advt. 22

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Have you Indigestion?

Your food will continue to disagree with you, and cause distress until you strengthen your digestive organs, and tone and sweeten the stomach. You can do this quickly and surely by promptly taking a few doses of

BEECHAM'S PILLS

Their natural action relieves the stomach of undigested food, stimulates the flow of gastric juice, renews the activity of the liver and bowels, and strengthens the digestive system. Take them with confidence, for 60 years' experience prove that Beecham's Pills

Are good for the Stomach

Largest Sale of Any Medicine in the World. Sold everywhere. In boxes, 10c., 25c.

FARMERS SELLING DAIRIES.

So Testifies H. Guy Roberts Before Federal Milk Commission at Utica.

H. Guy Roberts of Oakville, secretary of the Ontario County Farm Bureau, was one of the witnesses before the Federal Milk commission at Utica on Wednesday. Of his testimony the Observer says:

H. G. Roberts of Oakville, Ontario county, presented figures showing that the cost of his milk for November was \$5.10 per 100. He was examined by Mr. Stevens, the commission's attorney, concerning how he arrived at this figure. Mr. Roberts said he paid the hired man \$32 a month and board, and reckoned the price of board at \$1 per day, charged his own labor at the same rate as the hired man's. He supplied milk to the family and three calves. He sold 5,000 pounds of milk at \$3.34 1/2 cents per hundred weight, or 7.18 cents per quart, the milk cost him over 11 cents per quart.

Mr. Stevens asked what would happen if feed should go up to \$85 a ton. The witness replied that if the cost of feed for cows goes up much more the dairymen will go out of business unless the price of milk is materially increased.

"Would they go out of business in the next three months and sell their cows," Mr. Stevens asked, "or would they continue and hope for better times?"

"They would go out of business and that is what they have been doing right along," the witness replied. "Daily after dairy has been sold during the last year and the farms are deserted of cows owing to the poor profits of the business. I might cite an instance to show this. There is a cheese factory in our county that seven or eight years ago was receiving seven and eight thousand pounds of milk a day in the month of June, and running for six months. There is today but one cow where there were six then within a radius of a mile and a half of that factory."

"What are farmers doing?" Mr. Stevens asked.

"Some of them are working out," said Mr. Roberts. "Some of them are cutting their hay. Some of them in the last two years are letting the hay stand on the ground because it doesn't pay to cut it."

The testimony of Mr. Roberts could be corroborated by many residents of dairying sections. It has been known in this locality for months that the number of dairy cows is being reduced. Farmers are disposing of their dairies in many townships in both Ontario and Delaware counties. The situation is one that should be carefully considered and met with practical steps else the milk and butter production will be greatly reduced with a shortage in cattle that will be severe when the war ends or before.

Stolen Car Found Same Day.

When M. Dooler, a junk dealer of Laurens went to get his 1917 model Ford car from his barn early yesterday morning he found that it has been stolen during the night. Upon notifying the police of the missing car, the search was begun. Later in the day, the machine was found at the top of a hill near New Lisbon.

Look.

Oysters extra select 50 cents per quart. Blue point in shell or on half shell, any way you wish the finest oyster in this country. Call and see us. We have clams and some fish too. Oneonta Sea Food, No. 8 Dietz street.

For Sale—Pontiac, cart, harness saddle etc. Safe for children to drive or ride. Address Pontiac, care Star. advt. 31

Bring your burned or broken stove grate to the Titchener Culver Iron works and have a new piece cast. Phone 517-W. advt. 17

Wanted—Live poultry, 119 River street. B. L. Gates. advt. 11

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Pursuant to an order of Shirley L. Hunt, Justice of the Peace of the county of Oneonta, notice is hereby given, according to law, to all persons having claims against the estate of J. H. Butler, deceased, late of the town of Laurens, in said county, that they are required to exhibit the same, with vouchers therefor, to the undersigned, executor of the last will and testament of the said deceased, at the office of Frank H. C. Brown, in the village of Laurens, in said county, on or before the 17th day of August, next.

Witness my hand and seal, this 8th day of February, 1917.

FANIA A. JONES MATTHEW, Executor. Frank H. C. Brown, Attorney for Executor, Laurens, N. Y.

FINANCIAL AND COMMERCIAL

The New York Markets.

New York, Dec. 6.—Untoward developments, notably the reported entente reversal in France and Italy, the Halifax disaster and suggestions of additional federal price revision of important commodities, prompted moderate realizing for profit and some short selling in today's stock market. The recommendation contained in the majority report of the Interstate Commerce commission imparted strength to the list at the opening, but by mid-day virtually all initial advances were replaced by extreme recessions of two to three points in important issues.

United States Steel finished at 87 1/2, almost its lowest quotation of the day, and a two-point setback. Other industrial made similar concessions with shipbuilding, oil, various equipments and affiliated specialties.

Early gains of one to two points in minor rails were materially or entirely reduced. Utilities were under constant pressure.

Bonds, including international issues, were heavy. Liberty 4s varied from 97 1/8 to 97 1/2, and the 3 1/2s from 98 1/2 to 98 3/4.

United States bonds (old issues) were unchanged on call.

New York Produce.

Butter—Unsettled. Receipts, 6,016 tubs. Creamery, higher than extras. 47 1/2 @ 48, creamery, extras (92 score) 47, firsts. 42 @ 46 1/2, seconds, 39 1/2 @ 42 1/2.

Eggs—Irrregular. Receipts, 4,166 cases. Fresh gathered, extras, 56 @ 57; extra firsts, 54 @ 55, firsts, 53 seconds, 47 @ 52, refrigerator, special marks, 34 1/2 @ 35, refrigerator, firsts, 33 @ 34, state, Pennsylvania and nearby henry whites, one to fancy, 67 @ 70, do. browns, 58 @ 62.

Cheese—Irrregular. Receipts, 818 boxes. State, fresh specials, 22 @ 21 1/2, do. average run 22 1/2 @ 23.

Dressed poultry—Dull. Chickens, 21 1/2 @ 26, fowls, 18 @ 27 1/2; turkeys 23 @ 32. Live poultry, dull, chickens, 21, fowls, 22 @ 26, turkeys, 20 @ 22.

New York Meats.

Beef—Receipts, 250 head, no trading.

Calves—Receipts, 300 head. Market firm. Veals \$13.50 @ 16.75, Southern calves, \$9.50.

Sheep and lambs—Receipts, 2,180 head. Market steady. Sheep, \$7.50 @ 11; culls, \$6, lambs, \$15.00 @ 18.00, culls, \$12 @ 14.

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NEWSPAPER ARCHIVE

OTSEGO COUNTY NEWS

WILL ELECT OFFICERS.

Attendance at Schenectady Red Cross Meeting is Urged.

Schenectady, Dec. 6.—A meeting of the Schenectady branch of the Red Cross will be held in the High School building at 7:30 p. m., Wednesday, Dec. 12, for the purpose of electing officers for the coming year. This is not merely an officer meeting and everyone who is a member is requested to attend. The reports of the year's work and of the various officers will be read at this time. A good speaker will be present.

Home Economics Club to Meet.

The regular meeting of the Home Economics club will be held with Mrs. Florence Bundy, Saturday afternoon of this week. The date was postponed from Thursday on account of the Fair Bureau meeting at Oneonta.

Senior Entertainment and Dance.

Mrs. E. I. Theyson, Miss Ella Brown and Mrs. C. S. Halstead will act as patronesses for the senior entertainment and dance on Friday evening. The patronesses for Saturday evening will be Mrs. Victoria Whiteford, Mrs. Charles Hazen and Miss Anna Friery.

BY THE SHORES OF OTSEGO.

First Baptist Church Displaying Service Flag With 12 Stars.

Cooperstown, Dec. 6.—The First Baptist church has a service flag. It contains 12 stars. Mrs. L. E. Hartum's Sunday school class presented the flag to the church and the Bible school.

Past Master's Night Observed.

Tuesday evening Past Master's night was observed at the regular communication of Otsego lodge, No. 128,

F. & A. M. The third degree was conferred upon a class of candidates R. W. Robert Homan of Unadilla, D. D. M., of the eighteen Masonic district, made his official visit.

Work Nearly Finished.

The work upon Main street is nearing completion. The trees have been placed along the sides of the street, and the trolley tracks are ready for use from Chestnut street to the end of the road on Main street. Men are now placing the new electric light poles and installing the new system of lighting the street.

New Trolley Station.

The erection of the new station for the trolley line is progressing, work being done now on the concrete foundation.

Mrs. Jacob Ingoldby.

Mrs. Jacob Ingoldby died this morning in the Thanksgiving hospital. The body was taken to Elm street to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Louis LaDuke.

MT. VISION MATTERS.

Otego Valley Grange to Elect Officers at Next Meeting.

Mt. Vision, Dec. 6.—The Otego Valley grange will hold its regular meeting Friday evening. Election of officers.

Lecture Wednesday Evening.

Rev. Albert Clark of Cooperstown will give a lecture in the Methodist church Wednesday evening, December 12. Price of ticket 25 cents.

Young People's Party.

The young people of Laurens and Mt. Vision held a party in the grange hall Friday evening. About 50 people

were present. Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert Marlette chaperoned the party.

Personalities.

Ralph Gregory visited his aunts, Miss Allison Hall and Mrs. Harbitt Gregory, Friday and Saturday.—Mrs. Stephen Winsor of Cooperstown visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bert Pickens, Wednesday.—Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Saxton visited his daughter in Delhi from Wednesday until Saturday.—Miss Frances Reynolds who had been visiting at Hiram Saxton's since Monday returned to her home in Cooperstown Thursday.—Miss Hazel Field was home from Oneonta Sunday.—Miss Mary Kemball of West Oneonta was a guest here Wednesday and Thursday.

LATEST FROM LAURENS.

Revival Meetings Continue to Have Large Attendance.

Laurens, Dec. 7.—The revival meetings held in the Methodist Episcopal church are being largely attended each night. Evangelist Storim is giving strong and powerful sermons. There were several from Mt. Vision and West Oneonta at the meeting Wednesday night also the I and A M and O E S orders were represented.

Friday night the Ladies Aid societies of all the churches here and members of the W C T U will meet at 7 o'clock at R. Strain's and attend in a body.

LITTLE LENA LOCALS.

Lena, Dec. 6.—Guests of C. D. Hamm on Thanksgiving day were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Whipple and daughter of Cooperstown Junction. Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Whipple of South Side, and Mr. and Mrs. Ray Jenks and son of South Hartwick.—Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Peet visited over the weekend at the home of Clyde Jacobs in

Binghamton.—C. D. Hamm was a business caller in Cooperstown Tuesday.—John Cook of Oneonta visited his sister, Mrs. Florida Doolittle, Wednesday.—Ernest Bloomer and family and Mrs. Florida Doolittle spent Thanksgiving day at W. W. Potter's residence.—The annual Thanksgiving supper at the hall was well attended.—At the regular grange meeting Saturday night the following officers were elected: Master, Lynn Tilley; overseer, George Eldred; lecturer, J. R. Thompson; steward, Leon Bard; assistant steward, Emory Morse; chaplain, Jennie Harrington; treasurer, Chester Harrington; secretary, Lester Eggleston; gate keeper, Earl

Briggs; Ceres, Lucy Tilley; Pomona, Edna Gregory; Flora, Gertrude Morse, lady assistant steward, Anna Bard, trustee for three years, George Eldred; pianist, Ethel Harrington; librarian, Glenn Baleson.—Mrs. Evelyn Lough of Oneonta is visiting at the home of C. K. Harrington and William Potter.—George Ballard had the misfortune to lose a horse Saturday.—The Red Cross branch met at the home of Mrs. George Eldred Tuesday. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Charles K. Harrington Tuesday afternoon, Dec. 18. A cordial invitation is extended to all.—Born, Dec. 7 to Mr. and Mrs. Roy Barton a daughter.

DELAWARE COUNTY NEWS

BUSINESS MEN GET TOGETHER.

D. C. Hoagland Elected President of Stamford Business Men's Association.

Stamford, Dec. 6.—At a second meeting of the merchants of Stamford an organization was formed comprising nearly all the business firms of the place with the object of better co-operation in business lines and the extending of community spirit among them. Officers were elected as follows: President, D. C. Hoagland, vice president, A. J. Chichester; secretary, James A. Tooley, treasurer, S. C. Robinson.

The beginning of the organization was under the auspices of about 25 of the business men of the place and harmony and co-operation seems to be the keynote of the movement. A committee was appointed to draft a letter to be presented to the public, making plain to the people of the place the aim and purpose of the society. Another committee was appointed to pre-

sent the matter to all business men who had not been participants in the organizing of the movement soliciting them for membership.

Invitations for Craft-Cornell Wedding.

Invitations for the wedding of Miss Anna Craft of Stamford and William Cornell are issued for Wednesday, December 12. Miss Craft is one of Stamford's well-known and popular young ladies. She is the eldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Craft of Stamford, residing near Stamford village. The groom is a resident of Schenectady and is an electrician employed in a responsible position in that city. On Thursday evening a shower will be given Miss Craft at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Omer Edwards to which many of her friends have been invited.

Active Red Cross Campaign.

Committees of the ladies of the Red Cross branch of Stamford are making a vigorous campaign through the village, enrolling new members in the society. The effort is the result of the planned campaign inaugurated by the Red Cross society to secure an entire enrollment if possible of every person residing in the places where the organization has a branch or chapter.

Splendid success has so far resulted from the labor of the ladies and the outcome of the committee work bids fair to be fully up to their hopes.

Services in Presbyterian Church.

Sunday the services in the Presbyterian church will be resumed after a discontinuance of three weeks, during which time the pastor, Rev. W. D. Cavert, has been enjoying his vacation, spent at his home in Ballston, New York city, and Lakewood, N. J.

Baptist Church Continues Services.

Due to the lack of a pastor since the resignation of Rev. T. Pandy Johns, the services of the Baptist church have been under the direction of different ministers, who are under consideration as pastors of their congregation. Last Sunday the pulpit was filled by L. P. Nutting of the Kingston Y. M. C. A., who will preach again in that pulpit on Dec. 16. Next Sunday Rev. J. A. Courtwright of Whitney Point will officiate at the services.

Attempt to Obviate Snow Drifts.

With the intention of preventing the heavy snowdrifts at several points on the state highway between Stamford and Oneonta, which occur regularly every winter, and are the only obstacle to the open road all winter, Commissioner C. J. Hamilton is busy erecting snow fences at the different points where trouble occurs. One is to be placed near the woods on the hill leading out of Stamford village, and another will be placed west of the highway leading down to the bridge at Peter Mattice, about two miles out of Stamford.

First Stamford Service Flag.

The first service flag to be hung to the breeze in Stamford, flies from the Stamford grocery in honor of Eugene Myers, a former clerk, who has been called to the colors at Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass.

Contractors' Surveyors at Work.

Surveyors for the Deighton Contracting company, who have the construction of the tunnel for the New York city water supply, are busy at a point east of Stamford, endeavoring to secure a grade for a railroad connection with the U. & D. railroad at Gilboa for the transportation of their tools and materials.

Dastardly Attack on Aged Lady.

Mrs. Mito S. Wood received on Thursday morning the news that the home of her mother, located in Utica, had been burglarized. Her mother, who is over 80 years of age was struck with an axe by the burglar and was seriously wounded. It was reported that she had rallied somewhat from the blow, but was in a critical condition. Mrs. Wood left on the morning train for Utica.

SIDNEY'S QUOTA OF EVENTS.

Regular Meeting of Village Board Held Wednesday Evening.

Sidney, Dec. 6.—The regular meeting of the Sidney village board was held last evening in Municipal hall and much routine business was transacted. Among matters considered was a petition from Mrs. Sawdey Elliott

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the petitioner stating that she is the owner of a lot on River street adjoining the Baptist church property and that she recently replaced the sidewalk across the property with a concrete walk at a cost of \$45.88 and asks the board to issue a writ to said walk. The petition was filed indefinitely and Mrs. Sawdey notified of the board's action.

Following a recommendation made by the State Prison commission following in inspection of the village jail the board ordered that two wash basins be placed in the two men's cells. A motion was also passed that the trustees of Prospect Hill cemetery be notified of the condition of the sidewalk adjoining their property and that they take steps to remedy it. It was also moved that an ordinance be passed regarding the handling and use of explosives to comply with the new Federal law regarding the matter.

Sells Stock to C. C. Shaw.

Attorney H. B. Sewell was in Binghamton recently to obtain an order from Federal Judge Ray to permit the sale of the stock and fixtures of the Clayton & Benedict store at

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There have from time to time been various organizations of the men of Otsego, often of great importance, interest and value, but among them all there is probably not one which rivals the Otsego County Farm Bureau, which yesterday held its annual meeting in this city. Beginning with comparatively small membership only a few years ago it has steadily increased in numbers and influence, so that now it justly deserves the appellation which is put at the head of this column—a worth-while civic body.

In the first months of its existence not every community, or even every township in the county took any genuine interest in the bureau. The importance of its work was not fully understood, though from the first there was a growing comprehension of what it was intended to do and of what with proper assistance it could accomplish. Before the year's end, however, there was not a farming section anywhere which had not come to some degree of understanding of what the Farm Bureau could do. The second year saw a larger membership and other fields of farm activity mapped out. It was understood what the bureau could do, and all joined hands to bring about the most desirable results.

One of the first farm bureaus to be organized in this state, it has from its organization been one of the most successful. One after another the three cattle clubs—and the Sheep Breeders' association were formed; and later yet the Home Economics club became a most valuable auxiliary. Under its guidance the farmers and dairymen entered into more profitable lines of work; and by its counsel and advice the cattle here raised have become of a quality so superior that for the past two years they have carried off the prizes offered by the State Agricultural society for the finest exhibits from any county of this state. In like fashion it has encouraged the growth of potatoes and other vegetables, of corn and wheat and oats, and of the varied fruit crops to which our soil and climate are adapted; and the excellent results which have been reached are in large part results of the careful instruction and advice which the bureau has given.

All honor, therefore, to the Otsego County Farm Bureau and to thoroughly competent, energetic and efficient officers and managers. May its and their shadows never grow less, and may the excellent work which it has done be for many years continued. And for many years, also, may Otsego have the pleasure of welcoming, on the occasion of its annual meeting, this worth-while civic body.

PUBLIC LIBRARY NOTES.

New Books of Interest and Record of Month's Activities.

Among the new books at the public library are the following of war interest: Hugh Gibson's Journal of the American Legation at Brussels; Henry Vanduyke's Fighting for Peace; Mahoney's Sixteen Months in Four German Prisons; The World Peril, by members of the faculty of Princeton university; Out of Their Own Mouths, a compilation of extracts from the writings, addresses, etc., of German savants, statesmen, military leaders and others, edited by W. R. Thayer, the author of the recent Life of John Hay. Somewhat similar in style to Empey's Over the Top, which continues to be in great demand, are How to Live at the Front, by Hector MacQuarrie, and Private Post, by H. R. Post, a Canadian.

Of general interest: Recollections of John, Viscount Morley; The Mexican Problem, by C. W. Warren; Alsace-Lorraine under German Rule, by C. D. Hazen, professor of history at Columbia university and author of Europe Since 1815; The Insurgent Theatre, another important and interesting book on the theatre and drama of today, by T. H. Dickinson.

The monthly statistics of the public library show a steady increase in the sum of its activities. The record for the month of November was especially gratifying. The circulation of books was 3,553, an increase of 504 over the October number, 76 new borrowers were added; \$11.80 were taken in in fines, payment for "reserve cards" on books, and for two annual memberships for out of town borrowers.

Although this "fine" money supports the running expenses of the clerical part of the library work, buying all stationery, postage, desk files and other conveniences, besides taking care of the weekly cleaning and other incidental expenses, it would be gratifying to the library management to have it grow less as the use of the library increases. It is especially desirable, now that the postage on "reserve postal cards" is increased, to have readers prompt in returning books without notice from the library of their neglected obligation.

The British tank, which has just won the greatest victory on the western front since the Marne, and the greatest victory against field fortifications that history records, combines in its cyclopedic body three important attributes. It can shoot, it can crush and it can travel.—[New York Sun.

CURRENT COMMENT

When I. W. W. agitators advertise meetings "to fan the flame of discontent," why do they wonder at tar and feathers?—[Buffalo Enquirer.

Now that they have received a chunk of velvet, the coal operators will probably loosen up on the coal supply, and the shortage of cars will fade as an ugly dream.—[Rochester Herald.

No government can compel a citizen to give it loyal support in time of war, but every government can take stern measures to protect itself from the consequence of disloyalty. — [New York World.

The Kaiser says that the U-boats must have divine assistance in order to succeed. He's getting ready to lay their failure to the negligence of the other member of the partnership.—[Cleveland Plain Dealer.

The secretary of the treasury has done wisely in declining to license German insurance companies to do business in the United States. Even where such companies furnished re-insurance they could inspect all properties and thus obtain facts about war industries, munitions and the like, that might be of much value to the nation's enemies. — [Rochester Post-Express.

The pity of it all is that millions of people in Germany, Austria, Hungary, Turkey and Bulgaria, to say nothing of Russia, will never read or hear about the President's second war message.—[Utica Observer.

For a week the pupils of a kindergarten school have been studying about the wind—its power, effect, etc.—and the subject was becoming exhausted. In an effort to stimulate interest the teacher in her most enthusiastic manner said: "Children, as I came to school today in the trolley car the door opened, and something came softly in and kissed me on the cheek. What do you think it was?" And without a moment of hesitation they answered: "The conductor!"—[Harper's.

Who put the dam in Vardaman? He was worth it.—[Houston Post.

According to the Post, this Vardaman—by grace of the voters of Mississippi a senator of the United States—is telling the people of that state that "the war was brought on by Wall street." Owing to the proximity of Texas to Mississippi our Houston contemporary is an excellent position to properly appraise the man, who, it says, isn't worth that "dam," and there is every reason to believe the American people in the mass accept the Post's appraisal as accurate. It is hoped when opportunity offers, that the people of Mississippi will also.—[New York Herald.

Little neck clams are listed in a Bridgeport advertisement under the head of "Fish." There is only one other fish besides the clam that breathes through a hose. It is the archerfish, so called, of the far eastern waters, which rises to the surface and shoots flies with the little pellets of water.—[New London Day.

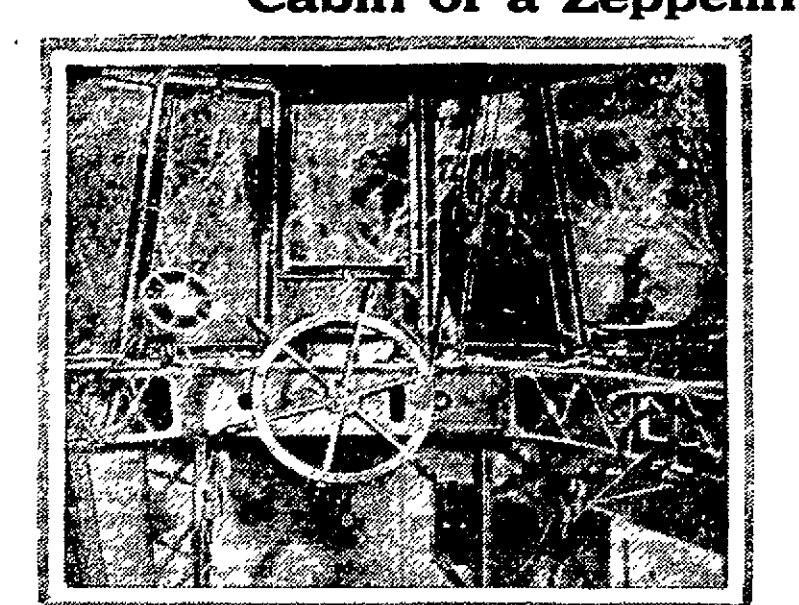
The German chancellor says of the people of conquered Russian territory: "We expect to give them a constitutional form of government corresponding to their conditions." This chancellor speaks for the same German people who attack the Entente outsiders who strive to give the German people a constitutional form of government. Germany expects to "give" other people a form of government but damns any nation that presumes to suggest the form of government for Germany.—[Auburn Citizen.

Why we did not go to war with the allies of Germany last April has never been explained by Washington. Presumably we have been waiting in the hope that in spite of the belated recognition of the existence of a state of war between Germany and the United States we should be "kept out of war" with the other Central powers. If this be the real reason for delay, then congress has learned little from its experience with Germany in the long and losing years that intervened between the rape of Belgium and the restoration of the United States by the act of last April. Those who gambled on being "kept out of war" with Germany lost. They lost again when they gambled upon a Russian victory last spring. They lost a third time when they gambled through the summer upon a German revolution. They have lost a fourth time in their autumn gamble that France, against the allies of Germany, would split the Central Powers and take the enemies of Germany into Berlin by the back door.—[Boston Transcript.

These must be dark days in England, despite occasional gleams of sunshine afforded by such successes as that of General Byng on the western front, for the people are undergoing hardships of a kind that we in America have yet to experience. But the note of cheerfulness that prevails in the London newspapers and the weekly and monthly magazine is most inspiring. There is no more practical motto for this time than "Grin and bear it," and our English cousins seem to be proceeding on that excellent principle as they enter upon what it is to be hoped will be the last winter of the war.—[Pittsburgh Chronicle-Telegraph.

Drying Buckwheat from New York. The Elmira Milling company has one part of its plant busy these days drying buckwheat which was badly damaged in a recent New York fire. It was impossible to get the work all done in the city, and accordingly ten cars have been brought to Oneonta for kiln-drying. Though the grain is spoiled for human food, it will do very well for fowls, which will be the disposition finally made of it.

In the Commander's Cabin of a Zeppelin



ZEPPELIN CONTROL CABIN.

A photograph of extreme interest, showing details of the Zeppelin "L-19," which was brought down practically intact in France near Bourbonne-les-Bains, after the raid on London last month. The airship has been dismantled by French aeronautical experts, who are in possession of all the secrets of her mechanism.

A particularly interesting feature is the construction of the forward car containing the commander's cabin, the brain of the monster, with its navigating controls and bomb-dropping gear; behind that a wireless cabin, and in the after part a large motor and propeller. The forepart was divided from the afterpart by a sound-proof partition, so that the vibration of the motor should not affect the navigating and wireless apparatus.

TWO ENLIST IN NAVY

Men Who Want to Enlist Must Do So Before Dec. 15—Flying Corps Needs Many Men.

Two men enlisted in the navy yesterday through the special recruiting party here for a week with headquarters at the post office. Four others, applied for information promising to return later.

John D. Wiley of Howe Cave, joined as an apprentice seaman. He will be sent to Newport for his training. William F. Duddy, 11 Washington street, Oneonta, enlisted as a machinist mate in the aviation section of the signal corps and will be sent to the station at Bay Shore, L. I. Duddy was secured through hearing a recruiting speech made by Ensign Hambrecht at the D. & H. shops Wednesday at noon. It is again pointed out that all men between the ages of 21 and 31 who want to take advantage of the Navy's offers must enlist before December 15. After that time all such men will be subject to the jurisdiction of the local draft boards and will no longer be allowed to enlist voluntarily.

The expansion of the Flying Corps of the navy will necessitate the enlistment in the regular navy for enrollment in the reserve of great numbers of machinists, quartermasters, carpenters, mates, blacksmiths and cooper-smiths. While it is preferable to enlist these men in the regular service the need is so great that men who seem fitted and wish to serve only for the period of the war may be enrolled in the reserve.

The qualifications for enlistment in the regular service or enrollment in the reserve are the same. Ratings and trainings are the same in both branches of the service. The general requirements are American citizenship, intelligence and reputable character.

In enlisting as a Landsman for Quartermaster the man must have a general manual training although no actual trade experience is required. Trades such as rigging, fabric working, wire working make a man particularly desirable for this branch. The course of training will last approximately three months at the end of which the men will be rated in accordance with their ability and assigned to an aerial station. The work will consist of the upkeep and overhaul of planes and dirigibles and the inspection of aircraft preliminary to flight.

The training for Landsman for carpenters mate will last about six weeks. Men will be rated in accordance with their skill as carpenters. Especially desirable or skilled applicants may be enlisted as carpenters mate, second class.

The training for Landsman for machinists mate second class will last for three months. Enlistment in this service requires previous experience with gas engines or electricity. These men are engaged with the upkeep and overhaul of aerial craft engines. A knowledge of ignition systems, lubrication and carburetors is also needed. Blacksmiths and cooper-smiths are needed and men enlisting will be sent to Bay Shore, Long Island, for outfitting and general course of training. Acetylene welders are also wanted.

MANY OTSEGO COUNTY CLUBS

Represented at Meeting of Local Home Economics Here Yesterday.

There were 20 of the Home Economics clubs of Otsego county represented at the meeting held yesterday in the Municipal building in this city; and in addition to the delegates there were many members of the clubs in Oneonta and elsewhere present at the meeting, which was opened with a cordial note of greeting by Mrs. H. A. Ward. A business session followed, at which it was voted to change the fiscal year of the club so that it should begin with January instead of July.

Miss Halo, the county demonstrator, reported a membership of 790, as compared with 827 a year ago. In this list, however, is not included Oneonta, the youngest of the local clubs, which has a membership of 65. With Oneonta added the total considerably exceeds that of a year ago. A census of the clubs shows that this year there were over 20,000 quarts more of fruits and vegetables preserved than a year ago, and that the family enrollment campaign had resulted in the securing of 7,500 names for the pledge cards.

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THE Hoff-Mann DRY CLEANING

50-acre farm near West Oneonta village, long in the possession of the Bull family and recently known as the Henry Bull farm, has been purchased by H. B. Taber of West Oneonta, who now has possession of the property, although not occupying the same.

RONAN BROS.

Christmas and Holiday Merchandise for the Season of 1917

Early holiday shopping is of great advantage to all concerned and early purchasers at this store reap every benefit from new, fresh and complete stocks of appropriate gifts. We call particular attention to the following gifts as combining utility and distinction:

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We have an immense assortment of plain and all the fashionable weaves in Charmeuse, Crepe-de-chene, Satin De-Luxe taffetas, Dutchess Satin and Georgette crepe ready for the gift box.

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Owing to the unusual high price and scarcity of linens, any woman would appreciate a gift of linen. We have a wonderful assortment of satin finish in floral and striped designs.

Bleached Table Damask at 50c., \$1.00, \$1.25, \$1.75, \$2.50 and \$3.75.

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Fashionable furs of dependable quality can be purchased here either separately or in sets, at moderate prices.

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Separate Scarfs at \$3.50, \$1.00, \$6.75, \$10.00, \$12.50, \$15.00 to \$25.00.

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Hundreds of new waists for the holiday season, all exceptional values and introducing many new style features.

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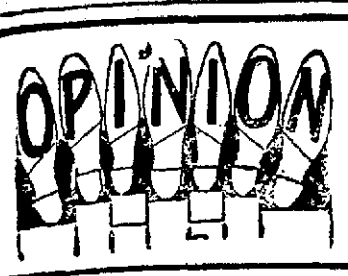
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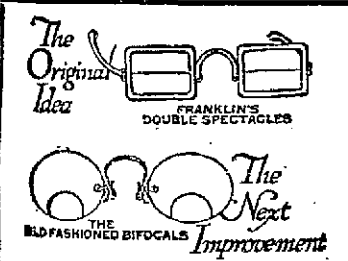
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YESTERDAY'S TEMPERATURE.

8 a. m. - - - - - 22
2 p. m. - - - - - 27
8 p. m. - - - - - 20
Maximum, 31 — Minimum, 18

LOCAL MENTION.

—Mrs. Eugene Brainerd of London avenue fell on Wednesday and fractured an arm.

—The sale and play by the "Star" class of the United Presbyterian Sunday school is to be held Saturday afternoon and evening, not Friday as stated in yesterday Star.

—General Superintendent Dickson and Vice President and General Manager Gutelius of the D. & H. passed through Oneonta last evening on special cars attached to train 8 on their way to Carbondale, Pa.

—At the regular meeting of P. P. Cooper encampment, No. 112, held last evening in I. O. O. F. temple, there was a good attendance and a very busy meeting of interest to all of the patriarchs. Many new prospects for membership were suggested and steamed clams and a smoker were in order at the close of the session.

—There was a large attendance yesterday afternoon at the meeting of St. James guild held with Mrs. George L. Boeckes, 81 Elm street. The afternoon was spent in knitting for the Red Cross and in the making of various useful articles to be disposed of in connection with the bake sale to be held next week Friday at the vacant store in the First National bank building.

—Many members of the Otsego board of supervisors were in attendance at the annual meeting of the Farm Bureau yesterday. The supervisors have taken a lively and commendable interest in the bureau from the start and its success is to a considerable extent due to their consistent support. The number of visitors from about the county were also large, the trolley being obliged to run extra cars to accommodate the traffic.

The Arethusa Convention.

The annual convention of the Arethusa fraternity opens its annual convention with the Oneonta chapter today, the delegates from Brockport, Buffalo, Genesee and New Paltz being expected to arrive last evening or early today. Last evening the members of the fraternity formed a theatre party that visited the Strand. This afternoon at the Clinton rooms at the Normal building that fraternity will give a tea in honor of the visitors and this evening a reception is to be given at the Normal gymnasium, at which, in addition to the visitors from away, the Arethusas will have as their guests the faculty and their sisters of the Clinton fraternity. There will be business sessions on Saturday and in the evening the convention will close with a banquet at The Oneonta, at which Dr. Bugbee is expected to be the toastmaster.

Meetings Today.

Members of Oneonta circle, No. 248, P. H. C., are requested to meet this evening at 58 Church street. Initiation.

Regular meeting of Anna E. Wilber auxiliary this evening at 8 o'clock, in I. O. O. F. temple. Election of officers.

The Loyal Helpers class of the Free Baptist church will meet with Mrs. Sarah Couse, 458 Main street, this afternoon.

Dr. Alma Webster-Powell Cancels Date Announcement has been received here that Dr. Anna Webster Powell, who has delighted Oneonta audiences with her lecture-musicals on two occasions and who was scheduled to appear at the High school building, December 11, will not be able to fulfill her promise on account of illness in her immediate family. It is to be hoped that Dr. Powell will be able to visit this city again at a later date.

Dairymen to Organize.

A meeting of all milk producers in the vicinity of Oneonta, has been called for the Municipal hall on Thursday evening, December 13, at 8 o'clock, for the purpose of organizing a local Dairymen's league. It is hoped that there will be a large and representative attendance.

Woman's Club.

The Philanthropic committee will meet this evening at 7:30, at the club rooms. We hope all the members will be present as this is the first meeting of the year.

Woman's Club.

The Shakespeare class will meet this afternoon at 3:30 o'clock instead of at 2:30 o'clock.

The Mourner.

A loan shark sat on his empty safe; he was down to his utmost dime, and he looked across at an empty cage, (let it stand, for we need the rhyme) and he dropped three tears on his shirt front (which for a loan shark is going some). And he wailed: "Alas, I was good and rich in the days of the Demon Rum. He used to harry the boys in here at the end of each joyful leer while I garnered their weekly pay. But they've canceled their good old gin-mill's lease and emptied its shining shelves, and all the lads I used to fleece are spending their coin themselves." advt. 1f

896-W City Fish Market.

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Wanted at Once—Cashier at the Pioneer lunch, Dietz street. advt. 1f

GERMAN DESPOT MUST NOT LIVE

President Schurman of Cornell Speaks At Farm Bureau Meeting Held Here

NO PEACE TILL THEN

New Constitution Adopted and Present Officers Reelected At Business Session

Germany has brought the spirit of the pagan world into the civilization of the twentieth century declared President Jacob Gould Schurman of Cornell university in his masterful address before the annual meeting of the Otsego County Farm Bureau association at the Oneonta theatre yesterday afternoon when for nearly an hour he held a large audience that filled practically every available seat intensely interested while he discussed the underlying causes of the war and also the steps to be taken to solve the problems between the producer and consumer, especially with reference to the prices to be paid the farmer with milk as one of the chief commodities. It is idle said the speaker to discuss other nations being responsible for the war or of the desire of Germany for peace. She seeks no peace that will do otherwise than enable her to hold her neighbors on all sides in awe of her military power and that would permit her to override the rights of any nation that stood in the way of her ambitions and plans. She is a moral demon and until a sense of national morality and justice is restored in that country, the war must go on.

The war had no trifling beginning. The assassination of the crown prince of Austria may have been the occasion but the deep powerful causes are not difficult to find. The war sprang from the German spirit which has come from a Prussianized Germany. Since 1870 the nation which found war profitable and which prospered by the robbery of territory from weaker neighbors has created a powerful war party in Germany. It has well developed plans for the one big powerful nation in central Europe extending from the North Sea to the Persian gulf. It made war a business and the evidence is abundant. At least a year before the outbreak of the present war Germany proposed to open warfare upon Serbia to Italy, then her ally—her aim being to open a through railroad between the points named with Serbia the only obstacle in the way. Italy perceived the motive and promptly replied that she was allied with the central powers for defensive purposes only and could not sanction such a war and would have no part in it. This only delayed the fatal day.

The plans of Germany embraced coveted territory on the western coast of Europe to permit her to become a sea power of the first magnitude—and be more secure in her defenses, also certain portions of Russia which she has since seized, and Serbia for her railroad to Belgrade. Maps were prepared of such a dominion extending from the North Sea to the Persian gulf with Austria-Hungary, Bulgaria and Turkey embraced within this dream of a mighty nation to-be. This was the war program and America should heed no false proposals of peace however appealing they may be to the misguided and uninformed until the coveted territory of other nations is restored to them and the German policy of war for expansion is crushed. The question is undebatable and our president has sounded the call in unmistakable terms to all the nations of the earth who are willing to sacrifice for the peace and safety of democracy.

We seek no territory, no profit and are willing to bond the income of future generations because we have enlisted to fight for mercy and justice. Vengeance is mine, said the Lord and we have no desire to wreak vengeance upon the women and children, the old and the infirm of Germany, as they have in Belgium and Rumania and Serbia. We should not falter until Germany's army is back within her own borders, until war for conquest is banished forever and nations can live in peace and security though weak. We never unsheathed the sword except for the application of the moral law to the regulation of the life of nations and we never have and we never will lay it aside until victory is won and right and justice prevail.

President Schurman was introduced by Dr. P. I. Bugbee of the State Normal school, who referred to him as the head of a great university, a gentleman who has represented America with honor abroad and a man whose voice is always raised in championing the cause of right and justice and truth. After expressing his appreciation of the kind inductive, President Schurman alluded to the interest centering in milk prices and said that it opens a question of large significance to all. The producer is desirous of securing a remunerative price; and the consumer of paying the lowest possible price. A conflict arises, which in normal times economic influences help to solve, but now create an embarrassing conflict that should be speedily adjusted because of the great questions before us.

The speaker said that we must recognize the right of the producer to receive the cost of production plus a reasonably fair profit. To receive less would stagnate business and leaves us powerless to prosecute the war with vigor, the commodity would no longer be produced, the producer turning to other productions which might afford a profit. It is obvious that we cannot fix the price for milk and then compel the producer to pay irregular prices for grains and labor. This leads to

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HELP RED CROSS TODAY

You Are Urged to Attend Benefit Performances at Theatres This Afternoon or If You Cannot Go Donate Price of Admission by Handing It in at Red Cross Headquarters.

Help the Red Cross add to its depleted funds by attending one of the benefit performances at the theatres of Oneonta this afternoon, or if you cannot attend, donate the price of an admission by leaving it at the local headquarters. That is the urgent request that the Oneonta chapter issues to every person in Oneonta today.

Red Cross funds again are low, and therefore, according to the local directors, it is fortunate that the Red Cross theatrical day will be observed throughout the country today. Each of the three theatres of this city will give special programs during the afternoon and turn over all the receipts to the Red Cross. The Oneonta theatre will charge 15 cents admission, the Strand also 15 cents, and the Happy Hour 10 cents. These prices are free of war tax, due to the fact that the proceeds are to be used for a charitable purpose. Excellent features will be played at each house.

The Oneonta chapter has appointed the following committee to take charge of the Junior Red Cross in this city: It will be known officially as the Red Cross Chapter School Committee of City Schools and is composed entirely of teachers. The members are Miss Helen A. Crane, Miss Luella Van Deusen, Miss Ruth Wells, Miss Lillian Slade, Mrs. I. S. Dauley, and Miss Jennie Fairchild. It is announced that every student at the East End school now is a member of the junior organization, while the other schools are adding to their number daily.

Two donations were made at headquarters yesterday. Mrs. Annie S. Millard gave \$5 to be used for gauze and W. E. Yeager contributed \$25 for the purchase of yarn. Friends added \$2 to the Christmas jacket fund.

Unadilla sent in 15 mufflers, two sweaters, nine pairs of socks, 29 pairs of wristlets, 220 small compresses, 140 large compresses, and 200 gauze sponges yesterday. West Oneonta forwarded 17 absorbent pads.

ACTIVE DEMAND FOR RAW FURS

Miller Hide Company Has Purchased \$20,000 Worth This Season.

The Miller Hide company of this city, the leading dealers in furs and hides in this section, report a very active demand for raw furs, having purchased about \$20,000 worth so far this season. The high prices have greatly stimulated the activity of trappers, who seem to have had good success.

Dealers and trappers will find it to their advantage to consult this firm regarding their offerings of raw furs before selling elsewhere, as they have built up a reputation for fair dealing, giving full market value and liberal grading on all furs brought or shipped to them. Attention is called to their advertisement which appears on page two of this issue.

Honor Boys with the Colors.

Mrs. Harry J. Butts of 21 Grand street is displaying a service flag in honor of her brother, Alfred Stringham, who is now with Troop H, Sixth Cavalry, at San Antonio, Texas.

A service flag is flying at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Kilmer, 40 Valleyview street, in honor of their son, Ward of the Eighth regiment, American Expeditionary force, now serving in France.

Mrs. John Roman, 8 Parish avenue, is displaying a service flag in honor of her son, John Roman, stationed at Panama with the coast artillery.

Mr. and Mrs. Van Sloat of 40 Pine street are displaying a service flag in honor of their son, Harry, who is in the United States navy and serving in European waters.

Removals to City.

Fred Douglass of East Meredith has secured employment with the D. & H. company and has removed to this city and is located at 64 Miller street.

George Leonard of Portlandville, having secured employment with the D. & H. company here has leased the house at 42 West Broadway and has removed thereto.

William Wheeler of Schenectady, another new employee of the D. & H. company here, has taken the house at 72 Clinton street and is residing here and at work.

Mrs. Mary E. Brady, recently of Edmonston, has removed to Oneonta and leased the house at 6 Fairview street.

Polley Boys in Action.

Arthur Polley, who enlisted in the navy last summer as a third class electrician, and was in training at the Commonwealth Pier Station, Boston, has been transferred for active sea duty to the U. S. S. Minnesota. His brother, Edward, is now serving with the American forces "somewhere in France."

Births.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Loren J. Babcock of Middletown, November 4, a son. Mr. Babcock is a former resident and is well known in this city. Born, on Thursday, Dec. 6, to Mr. and Mrs. William Wonck of Duane street, a son.

Christmas Post Cards and Greetings. Penny Christmas post cards, 5 cents a dozen. Greetings 5 cents to 50 cents. The Oneonta Press. advt. 1f

Fashion Shop—Now sample dresses just received, \$3 and up. Eighteen coats to close out at less than cost. advt. 2f

Wanted at Williams Market—Turkeys, fowls, chickens, duck and geese for Xmas and New Year's trade. Highest market prices paid. advt. 1f

One Thousand head of cabbage for sale at the Wilson house. advt. 2f

375 Wright's taxi. advt. 1f

Dame Fashion Is Exacting

She does not consider whether you are slender or stout—her word is law—and the stout woman finds difficulty in following the vagaries of fashion. But the designers who fashion our stout Coats and Suits, has come to her aid with models adapted to her figure, so that the stout woman, today, can be as smartly attired as her slender sister.

We still have a limited number of stout Coats and Suits at marked down prices.

M. Gurney & Sons, Inc.

Diamonds For Christmas

A better example of wise buying is not possible than the gift of a diamond from Brigham's. Neither time nor wear detracts from a diamond. Years only add to its value.

A Brigham diamond is a high grade stone of fine color and quality. It is free from defects which detract from its brilliancy. It is a highly desirable diamond to give and to own.

Brigham values are noteworthy. To purchase here is true economy with your diamond money. A fine collection of mounted and unmounted stones.

Selections for Christmas will be laid aside, if desired. Only a small deposit is required.

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JEWELER
141 Main St. Oneonta, N. Y.

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Carnations, Roses, Lilies and a nice variety of Potted Plants

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Will Open Monday, Dec. 10th

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The Modern Metal Lath

is much better than wooden laths and can be put up much more quickly. It takes the plaster better, too, and holds it longer. We have both the lath and the plaster and will be glad to give you figures on any quantity. Of course if you still prefer wooden lath we have that too.

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Home Made—

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Your Friends can buy anything you can give them except your

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Successor to Dickoff

ONEONTA 283 MAIN ST.

AUCTION

Hereafter my Auction sale will commence at 1 p. m. instead of 2 p. m.

William M. Anderson

306½ Main Street, Oneonta, N. Y.

Special Sale of Silk and Wool Dresses at \$12.00 Each

Stylish Dresses of Charmeuse, Messaline, Serge, Wool Jersey and combinations of Serge and Silk. Values from \$16.50 up to \$22.50.

Our Entire Line of Higher Priced Dresses Offered at Proportionate Reductions.

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The Corner Book Store

MAIN & BROAD STREETS

BOOKS

At 60 Cents

All the recent titles as well as a large stock of the older ones. An early selection will assure you of getting what you want.

Henry Saunders

What! Still Coughing?

If so, don't neglect it further, serious results may follow. At once get a bottle of our

Balsam Wild Cherry and White Pine

This is the finest Cough Remedy in our entire stock which is saying a great deal.

Price 25c a Bottle

The CITY DRUG STORE
E. E. SCATCHARD, Prop.
227 Main St. Phone 218-J

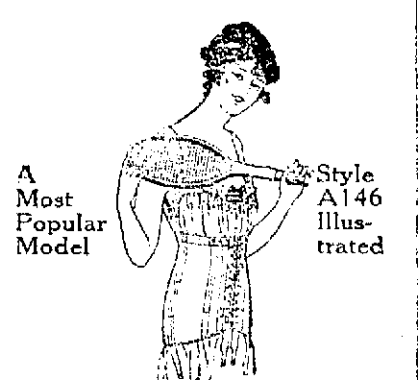


You'll Be Completely Charmed

With the quality of our clothing when you visit this store. Seek as you may, you will not be able to find a single fault. When you come to inquire the prices of the clothing, your surrender will be completed. So don't come unless prepared to yield to exceptional qualities and exceptional prices.

SPENCER'S
Busy Clothes Shop
ONEONTA, N. Y.

Naco Corsets
The Season's Favorites



Women who enjoy beauty and quality should call and examine our new line of **NACO CORSETS**. Every style fitted over living models and expertly designed to improve and beautify the form.

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Norton's Bazaar 15 Broad Street
"Just a Whisper off Main."

PERSONALS.

A. C. Merrill, 17 West street, is spending the week in New York.

Attorney Jerome S. Seacord of Unadilla was a guest at The Oneonta last night.

Mr. and Mrs. B. H. Beach of Rome are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Briggs.

Mrs. Sarah L. Salisbury of Portlandville was a business visitor in Oneonta Thursday.

Mrs. E. W. Osgood of 74 River street is spending a day or two in Binghamton.

Mr. and Mrs. Lee D. VanWoert passed the day yesterday in Albany on business errands.

Mr. and Mrs. Rex Chamberlain and Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Lewis of this city spent Thursday in Albany.

Mrs. A. O. Roberts of 16 Franklin street is spending a few days with friends in Carbondale, Pa.

Leon Burdick, formerly of this city, now a resident of Burlington, was in the city yesterday on business errands.

Mrs. M. Phillips of Franklin returned home yesterday, after a visit with Miss Ella Rathbun, on Draper street.

David P. Lee esq. of Norwich, district attorney of Chenango county, was a business visitor in the city yesterday.

Mrs. William Brown of Mt. Vision was in Oneonta yesterday on her way to visit her aunt, Mrs. J. D. Hunt, in Milford.

Attorney Arthur E. Connor of Walton was a guest last night at The Oneonta, having been called here on legal errands.

Mrs. George W. Fairchild left Oneonta yesterday for Washington, D. C., where she will remain for a week with her husband.

Hon. L. P. Butts of this city departed yesterday on a business trip to New York. He expects to return home Saturday.

William Odell returned yesterday to his home in Hoosick Falls, after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Furish, 228 River street.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Clum of North Harpersfield were in Oneonta yesterday on their way to visit their daughter, Mrs. Walter Dix, in Carbondale, Pa.

Walter E. Murdock, who has been spending a few days with his father, S. W. Murdock, in this city, returned yesterday to his home in East Orange, N. J.

Wilson J. Norton, telegraph operator for the D. & H. at Schenectady, is spending a few days with Oneonta relatives recuperating from recent illness.

Miss Emma Wilson of Worcester, who for several days had been the guest of Mrs. John T. Knapp of this city, returned home Thursday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. McCall of 402 Chestnut street were called to Walton yesterday to attend the funeral of a sister-in-law, Mrs. John McCall. The services were held at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon.

The many friends of E. T. VanBuren, formerly of this city, who for several weeks has been seriously ill at his home in Hobart, will be pleased to know that he is making a good recovery and is able much of the time to be about the room, though not as yet to be out of doors.

Among the members of the Masonic fraternity in Oneonta attending the Masonic district convention in Unadilla yesterday and today are Hon. Charles Smith, past grand master of Masons of the state of New York; J. R. Gerling, master of the Masonic lodge of Oneonta; F. M. H. Jackson, assistant grand lecturer; W. D. Fox, and several others.

H. E. Sackrider of Bloomville was in Oneonta yesterday on his way to Albany, where he will undergo an operation for varicose veins at the Homeopathic hospital. Mr. Sackrider has been singularly unfortunate in the way of accidents or other physical conditions requiring an operation. The present is the ninth operation which he has undergone, and the second on the right leg. Only four weeks ago he was thrown from his wagon in a runaway accident at Bloomville, breaking his left leg, and from this he is still obliged to go on crutches.

Funeral of Mrs. George Parish.

The funeral of Mrs. George Parish was held at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon at her late residence, 41 River street, in this city. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends met to pay a last tribute to one greatly respected and much beloved. The service was conducted by Rev. Edson J. Farley, pastor of the First Baptist church, of which the deceased had for 55 years been a member; and consisted of the reading of appropriate selections from scripture, and a brief tribute to the worthy life of the deceased. Following the service the body was laid at rest in the mausoleum in the Plains cemetery. The bearers, who were three sons and a nephew of the deceased, were A. B. Webster, P. R. Jaynes and C. L. Smith of Oneonta and W. A. Pier of Albany. Among the many beautiful floral tributes were two pieces from the Mothers' club and the Deaconesses of the First Baptist church.

Those present from out of the city included Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Spencer of Schenectady Junction, Mrs. George Lippitt of Cooperstown, Mrs. Harry Lewis, Mrs. Horace Alexander, Mrs. Elmer Wessel and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Butts of Binghamton, Mrs. Mabel Hart of Norwich, W. A. Pier of Albany, Mrs. Fred Hand, Mrs. Edwin Webster, Mrs. C. W. Penselee and Welcome Parish of Laurens, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Hooker of Maryland, Ichabod Wilber of Otego and Mrs. C. P. Hall of West Oneonta.

100 Men's
French and conservative style overcoats. Regular \$18.50, \$20 and \$22.50 grade overcoats on sale today at \$12.48. Your choice, Yagel's up-stair clothes shop, 176 Main street, one night up. Adv. 21

HOME FROM SPARTANBURG.

Millard's Return From Two Weeks' Sojourn in Southern Camp.

Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Millard of this city returned home yesterday afternoon after a two week's outing, spent for the most part with their son, Captain J. A. Millard, in the camp at Spartanburg, S. C. Both were in the best of health and spirits and in particular greatly enjoyed the opportunity which it afforded for meeting not a few of the boys from Oneonta now in the National army.

The start from Oneonta was made on Tuesday, No. 20, the trip being via Elmira to Washington, D. C. and thence by the Southern railway to Spartanburg. There was much delay, and it was not until Thursday that the camp was reached and they received the cordial welcome of Capt. Millard and of the boys from home in his bakery company. During their stay, they messed most of the time with the bakery company in camp and are enthusiastic concerning the vultures and the manner of preparation, concerning which they are certainly competent authority. There is plenty of everything to eat, and all is well prepared.

The bakery company now bake bread for the whole camp. Each man is allowed a pound of bread daily, and this requires 15,000 two-pound loaves. This is done every day, but on Thanksgiving day, when everybody had turkey, and the field bakery was requested to cook it, there was baked a pound and a half of turkey meat to a soldier, or a total of 45,000 pounds, without interfering with the regular routine of bread-making. A previous article in The Star told what the field bakery boys had for dinner on Thanksgiving. To bake the bread of the camp requires two carloads weekly of four-foot spruce wood, and a great deal more is used by the company cooks.

Though Mr. Millard did not see all the boys, there were many of them whom he had the pleasure of greeting. Among them was Dr. Augustin, hale and healthy and looking every inch the soldier. He is a very competent officer and ranks high with the members of the medical staff. Captain Keopers is a bit lonely with his company of eight men, but expects soon to have company G raised to full membership. Dr. Brady is doing excellent work as dentist with the regiment, and Lieut. Johnson, with the new regiment is a most efficient officer.

Eagles Elect Officers.

At the annual business meeting of Oneonta aerle, No. 1260, F. O. E., in Maccabee hall last night, officers for the ensuing year were elected. R. D. Slade was chosen president; vice president, Joseph Hendy; chaplain, H. P. Weidman; secretary, A. O. Dupuis; treasurer, Chris Stevener; inside guard, Frank Brenza; outside guard, William Still; and aerle physician, Dr. Norman W. Getman.

It was voted at the meeting that a get-together night with a smoker and social will be held on January 3, when the new officers are installed.

Card of Thanks.

We wish to thank the friends and neighbors for their kindness and for the flowers sent during the illness and death of our beloved husband and father, Mrs. E. C. Beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Beach, Ursel Beach, Velma Beach.

W. M. Anderson of 366½ Main street returns from New York today with a carload of horses which he will sell on Friday, December 7. William Coas of Bloomville will have a consignment of six horses that will be sold at this time. Adv. 21

The taste tells. It's superior to any imported in purity, strength and economy. Biwa tea in packages only. adv. 11

MURDER IN SECOND DEGREE

Jury Brings in Verdict Last Evening After Being Out Nine Hours — Candello Will Be Sentenced Today.

Cooperstown, Dec. 6. — The jury in the case of the People vs. Candello, a murder case which had been on trial since Monday, brought in a verdict of attempted murder in the second degree, at 8 o'clock last evening, after being out about nine hours. The maximum sentence which can be imposed is 25 years. The sentence of the court will be imposed by Judge Kellogg this morning.

The case was ably summed up for the People by O. L. VanHorne and for the defendants by C. G. Tennant. The charge, by Judge Kellogg is stated to have been very fair and impartial.

MARRIAGES.

La Grange-Keenan.

Allen D. LaGrange and Mrs. Orsella Keenan, both of 41 Dietz street, were quietly married at the home of the bride's mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Maginley, on Huntington avenue, at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon, by the Rev. Dr. Edson J. Farley of the First Baptist church. The bride's sister, Mrs. Josephine G. Compton, was present.

Mr. and Mrs. LaGrange departed immediately for a short honeymoon trip, after which they will reside at 41 Dietz street.

Real Estate Bargains.

Dandy home, East End, nearly new, large lot, hen house, \$1,300. Eight room house, centrally located, fine lot, all improvements, \$200 down and monthly payments, \$2,650. Fred N. Van Wie. Adv. 61

The Old Saying That "Comparisons are Odious" Does Not Apply to



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In All Styles For All Occasions

¶ You'll enjoy this exceptional overcoat exhibit of ours. You'll not see the equal of it anywhere in the city, not only for variety, but for fine values and quality. Here are Raglans, Balmaccans, Motor Coats, Double Breasted Overcoats, Dress Overcoats, Military Overcoats, and Chesterfield Overcoats.

¶ You'll be pleased with whatever coat you buy here. You've got to be; we stand back of the goods, and Hart Schaffner & Marx stand back of us. You can't beat that combination.

Herrieff's Clothes Shop

The Home of Good Things For Men in Oneonta

Reduced Prices On WOMEN'S and MISSES' SUITS

\$16.50, \$19.50, \$25.00—Regular Value
\$22.50 to \$37.50

Timely Offerings in the Season's Handsomest Coats

We expect record-breaking business in this department, as a natural result of such styles, assortments and prices, and are ready for it. See the special value Coats at \$16.50 and \$25.00.

Sweater Coats for Women and Children

A Sweater Coat is one of the handiest, lightest and warmest garments for winter wear. We're supplied with the best colors and weaves. Prices are moderate.

Women's Sweaters \$2.98 to \$7.50.

Children's Sweaters 98c to \$3.98.

Children's Combination Sets, Sweater, Leggings and Cap, \$3.98, \$4.25, \$5.90.

Washable Cape Gloves at \$1.69 a Pair

Fine, soft Capeskin Gloves in shades of tan and a particularly smart pearl white with black stitched in the approved way. We can't guarantee to get so good a quality later at the price.

Chamoisette—Gloves in white or black, self or contrasting embroidery, at \$1.00.

Carter's Knit Underwear

Women's Union Suits ribbed, made of cotton, cotton and wool, silk and wool, high neck, long sleeves; Dutch neck, elbow sleeves; low neck, no sleeves; knee or ankle length, \$1.25 to \$4.50.

Vests and Pants 75c to \$2.75.

Children's Union Suits \$1.00 to \$2.50.

M. E. Wilder & Son

Maple Walnut and Vanilla Walnut Kisses

They Are Delicious and Will Satisfy That War-Time Hunger for Sweets.



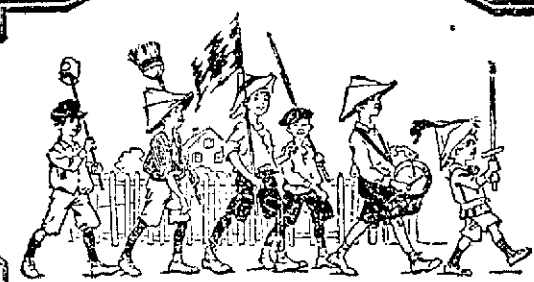
To the Public:

"The Literary Digest," issue of December 8th, will contain a full-page up-to-date Map of the Western War Front. It will show Battle Lines, Railroads and Canals, as follows:

Original British Line—Belgian Line—French Line, British Line, November 30th, 1916. British Line, March, April, June, July, August, September, October, November and December, 1917; Showing the result of Haig's latest "big push."

This Issue is On Sale At Our Store This Morning. Price 10c a Copy.

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Turkey with good bread "stuffin'."

That's what they had in the good, old days and it's just as good as ever today.

Try NYE'S BREAD for the stuffing in your Thanksgiving turkey. It's nourishing, delicious and purely made.

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Do not waste bread or any food.
Use stale bread for toast, puddings and garnishings.

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TO RENT.
FOR RENT—Half of house at 7 Spring street, six rooms, range and bath, \$10.00 per month. Phone 188-M.

FOR RENT—Seven room house at 4 Cherry street, to a small family. Inquire at 5 Tilton avenue. Phone 235-M.

FOR RENT—House and barn at 15 Watkins avenue, \$2.00 per month. Reference required. Cepherley & Morgau.

ROOMS FOR RENT—8 Forest avenue, six rooms, toilet and bath, furnace and cellar. \$1.00 per month.

TO RENT—Desirable flat for two people, with all improvements, centrally located. Address 61, care Star.

TO RENT—Flat, 107 Elm street, modern improvements. Phone 243-M.

FOR RENT—House at 18 Park avenue, \$10.00 per month. All improvements. Sheehan Real Estate company.

FOR RENT—Rooms second floor, 215 Main street, D. Baldwin, 67 Delta street.

HOUSE TO RENT—At 70 Main street, modern improvements. Inquire Mrs. L. E. Voth, 81 Main street.

TO RENT—Lower flat at 36 Cherry street, with water and toilet. Six rooms. Phone 188-M.

TO RENT—Flat with improvements. M. J. Platt, 364 Chestnut street.

TO RENT—One-half house, Main street, bath and range, furnace, \$15.00. Dwelling South Side, \$10.00. Auto storage on Grand street. Keenan & Wells.

TO RENT—One-half of double house, six rooms. Inquire J. A. Perry, 57 Valleyview street.

TO RENT—Office \$7.00 per month up, with heat. Store formerly occupied by Menz's Music store. Store formerly occupied by Menz's Music store. Store formerly occupied by Menz's Music store.

TO RENT—No. 8 Roylston avenue, \$10.00 per month. No. 307 Chestnut street, \$10.00 per month. Address post office box 53, Oneonta, N. Y.

TO RENT ON SALE—On easy terms a good ten room house and an acre of choice land for gardening. 254 River street. Inquire of J. E. Osterhout or S. J. Ritz.

APARTMENT TO RENT—66 Chestnut. Electric lights and hot water heater. Inquire at office of Oneonta Building and Loan association.

TO RENT—From October 1, store at 287 Main street, rent reasonable. Cepherley & Morgau.

FOR RENT OR SALE—Blacksmith shop and garage, Wayne gas tank, five living rooms, good location on state road, Dan Sherman, Davenport Center.

TO RENT—Suite of eight rooms, upper floor, 9 South Main street.

FOR SALE.
FOR SALE—David McEwen 53 acre farm, one mile from Hartwick, good house, barn, land, in house, variety fruit and berries. Inquire Thomas McEwen, Cooperstown, N. D. L.

FOR SALE—Villow baby carriage, good condition, with morning or after 5 p. m., 315 Main street.

FOR SALE—My farm of 250 acres, located in Laurens village. Will keep 60 head of stock, buildings in good repair. Will sell with or without stock and crops. Write H. Parish.

POTATOES delivered to your door, \$1.00 per bushel. Phone 9 F.B.

FOR SALE—Forty ewe lambs, Delano and sheep, 11 Worm, Oneonta, N. Y. Located one mile east of Oneonta, N. Y. Milla trolley stop.

FOR SALE—One roll top desk, one Cary desk, good as new, hand drill press, several sets of tools and saws, etc. Set of wood lockers. Burr B. Chamberlain, 62 Market street.

TWO FAMILY HOUSE—West street, modern improvements, one-quarter acre land, for rent or purchase, \$2,500. Spruce street, all improvements, due 1st, \$2,000. One and one-half acres, \$3,500. New house at West End, all improvements, electric lights, easy terms, \$2,500. New house, Draper street, all improvements, electric lights, garage, \$2,500. Pine house, Lavin avenue, modern improvements, easy terms, \$2,500. Fred N. VanWise, 14 Delta street. Phone 21-J.

FOR SALE—Twelve acres, good buildings, all black garden land, right on the state road, between the cities of Oneonta and Oneonta, N. Y., \$1,000. \$1,000 cash. Inquire Harry Lockwood, Verona, Oneonta county, N. Y.

AUCTION—At Scrambling farm, 2 1/2 miles from Oneonta on south side of the river, Wednesday, December 12, at 11 a. m. Dinner served. 300 acres including 200 acres of good timber land, 100 acres of water, good buildings, 200 tons of hay, all kinds of stock, 30 head of cattle, 12 of which were fresh in September, the balance fresh in spring; one pair of yearling cattle, 30 pounds of other stock, pigs and hens. Terms on the farm 5 per cent day after sale, one-third of purchase price on delivery of deed, balance on easy terms. Approved bank notes, except on hay, which will be paid for cash. J. H. Bedell and George W. Nutter, auctioneers.

FOR SALE—A farm 185 acres, one-half mile from heart of city. A dandy milk cow farm. Minard Hamm, 109 West street.

TWO FARMS—Three miles from Oneonta, plenty of water. Write Wallace Quackenbush, Oneonta, N. Y., R. D. No. 3.

ONE CENT A WORD

FOR SALE—Beef by the quarter. Delivered to any part of the city. Prices right. Call or phone, A. E. Walling, 6 South Main street, phone 1067-W.

FOR SALE—Baby carriage and cook stove. Inquire 35 West street.

FOR SALE—Two cows, now due. Minard Hamm, 109 West street.

FOR SALE—1915 model touring car, \$175. One dump wagon, \$40, bargain. R. Congdon, Schenectady, N. Y.

FOR SALE—Twelve young cows, grade Holstein heifer, calves six months old. Carl Smith, R. D. 4, Otego, N. Y.

FOR SALE—One second-hand, six-griddle cook stove, price \$100.00. B. G. Ackley, West Oneonta.

FOR SALE—Baby carriage and parlor stove. Inquire 35 West street.

FOR SALE—Large black horse, sound and perfect in every way; also two harnesses, one two-wheeled and one four-wheeled, rubber tired carriage, all good as new. Mrs. A. A. Hillier, Oneonta, N. D. 3.

FOR SALE—House and lot in Oneonta, all improvements, five rooms and bath, post office. Bargain to quick buyer if sold before January 1. Write or inquire, 222 Main street, Oneonta, N. Y.

FOR SALE—Nine room house, electric lights, toilet and bath, cement cellar, hot or cold water, basement barn, fruit, garden. One and one-half acres, all improvements. Will sell cheap for cash, if sold at once. \$3,000, \$1,000 down. Inquire Bargain, care Star.

FOR SALE—Nipe young Holstein cows, good milkers. Wagar brothers, Maryland, N. Y.

FOR SALE—One square piano, a fine instrument with very easy tone and rich detours. Bargain, call at Mrs. A. A. Hillier's South Side.

FOR SALE—Model 17 Buick, remodeled with a truck of 1,000 pounds capacity, overhauled and first class condition. Inquire at 300 George T. Rich, Hobart, N. Y.

FOR SALE—Boy team, 9 years old, known as Vandermark team, with harness, \$450. Charles F. Kenyon, Maryland, N. Y.

PULLETS—Two hundred single comb, from a truck of 1,000 pounds capacity, one-half to one inch of comb. L. E. 105 goldbird, Cooperstown, N. Y.

FOR SALE—Three hundred White Leghorn pullets, for lack of house, Laurens Farm, Oneonta, N. Y., 75 cents.

TWENTY-FIVE LIGHT acetylene gas plant, "Pilot D." in first class working condition, cost \$100, will sell for \$75, reason for selling want to wire building for electricity. C. F. Ingoldby, Hartwick Seminary, N. Y.

FOR SALE—Two fresh cows, eight hand-lung good calves, four and eight calves and Guernseys. Harry Edgerton, Morris, N. Y.

FOR SALE OR RENT—Good dairy farm, 125 cows and team. W. S. Stilson, Treadwell.

FOR SALE—Nearly new seven room house, all improvements, garage, Chestnut street, \$3,000. Nearly new six room bungalow, all improvements, large lot. West End, \$2,500. Two houses on Center street, all improvements, \$3,500 and \$3,800. Nearly new seven room cottage, one and one-half acres, good location, \$2,500. Nine room house, large lot, furnace, bath, Ford car, \$2,500. General house, \$1,500. Small, all improvements, near Normal school. Ten two family houses in various parts of city. Charles N. Murdoch, 7 Ford avenue. Phone 7-J.

FOR SALE—House, barn and four acres of land at Oneonta Plains. Inquire 23 Church street.

FOR SALE—A Riverview avenue, house, electric lights, hot water heater, and stationery tubs. Comfortable home. Price \$1,500. George L. Beckes, attorney.

FARMS—For sale or exchange. All sizes, from a few acres up to 500 acres. Some of the best dairy farms in Otsego, Delaware and Chenango counties. All kinds of poultry and stock required. Inquire at J. H. Murdoch, 7 Ford avenue, Oneonta, N. Y.

MISCELLANEOUS.
WANTED—Two hundred heavy chickens or fowls, fifty choice turkeys. Canfield's market.

WANTED—L. C. Smith or Underwood typewriter. Address C. R. Dorr, Oneonta, N. Y.

BRING YOUR BURNED or broken stove grate to the Titchener Culver Iron Works and have a new piece cast. Phone 547-W.

WANTED—Lay, old and new, either hand or foot, for particulars. C. H. Fuller, Unadilla, N. Y.

WANTED—Young men not drafted, to train for teachers of industrial subjects. Instructions for one year, two, three and four-year courses; the equipment, excellent instruction. Positions practically guaranteed. Good salaries and advanced present demand for teachers is five times the supply. For particulars apply to Director of B. Smith School of Practical Arts, State College for Teachers, Albany, N. Y.

EXCEPTIONAL OPPORTUNITY—Men of selling ability and address may secure exclusive territory or county agency for automobile signal device of reasonable cost, commanding rapid sale. One hundred dollars cash or stock and 100 shares of stock. Samples. References exchanged and protection assured. Phone or write for booklet or call for demonstration. Green Head Signal Sales Corp. Tel. 511 Murray Hill, 305 Fifth avenue, New York city.

WANTED—Second hand cash register, state size and price. R. S. Miller, Richard Springs, N. Y. Box 581.

WANTED—Tires and tubes, hot water bottles and rubber footwear to vulcanize. W. S. Ford, 48 Main street.

Sewing Machine Operators and Learners

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This is a splendid opportunity for competent young women to secure staple employment with a dependable organization, and those who desire permanent employment need apply.

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Big Bargains in Real Estate

Sixty-two acre farm on state road, fair house and barn, about 10 acres timber. This is a valley farm, about 25 acres creek bottom, balance upland. Price \$1,600, cash payment \$500.

One hundred ninety acre farm on state road, splendid buildings, large new basement barn, fine house, slate roof, running water; will sell complete equipment, all kinds tools, 30 head stock, two teams horses, all hay and grain. This is a money maker. Price, easy terms, \$11,000.

A splendid Normal rooming house, finest location, all improvements, a money maker. Will exchange for nearby farm on state road.

Ten acre chicken farm, two large poultry houses, accommodate 1,000 fowls, all kinds of fruit, 10 room house, furnace, running water at house and barn, near High school, state road and railroad station. Price \$3,600, cash payment \$500.

One hundred fifteen acre river farm, one mile from large village, railroad station and state road, splendid overshot water, cement basement, good house, running water, 22 cows, some young stock, all tools, team horses. The October milk check \$402. Price for everything, easy terms, \$9,500.

Ten acre, river bottom farm near state road and large village, fine house, splendid basement barn, city water. Price \$3,500.

Eight room house in the city, right in heart of city; all improvements, fine location, easy terms, \$2,600.

Forty-five acre combination chicken and dairy farm, one mile from railroad station, state road and large village. All fodies, six cows, one horse and all farming tools, quantity valuable timber, running spring water. Price for everything, \$5,000.

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239 Main Street

ONE CENT A WORD

HELP WANTED.
WANTED—At once cashier at the Pioneer lunch, Dietz street.

WANTED—High school girl to work for board and lodging; light work. Address, A. M. L. care Star.

WANTED—Someone to sell farms. We furnish the buyers. Write at once, Perry Farm agency, Canajoharie, N. Y.

WANTED—A good competent sawyer, A. J. 109 for the right man. DeWitt Whitney, Widdam, N. Y.

GIRLS WANTED—Experienced glove closers, steady work.

Also girls to learn glove making, liberal salary while learning.

Call today **QUALITY SILE MILLS**, Room's Annex.

WANTED—Chambermaid at Oneonta hotel. Apply at once.

WANTED—A middle aged woman, to do general housework. Address M. care Star.

WORK WANTED.
WANTED—A position in store or factory by competent man. No. 1 reference. M. G. care Star.

MOVING—By auto truck, long or short hauls. Phone Johnson, 776-W, 18 Academy street.

WANTED—Orders for silver plating. Phone 411-J.

WANTED—Pictures to frame. Ward's Art Shop, 140 Main street.

LACE CURTAINS LAUNDERED—92 Center street. Mrs. H. Kenyon. Phone 1024-W.

WORK WANTED—Phone 801-W—Robbie, the painter, for painting and papering.

FURNISHED ROOMS.
FURNISHED ROOM—With or without board at 38 Academy street. Phone 547-J.

FURNISHED ROOMS—For light housekeeping. Middle side of Centre street.

TWO FURNISHED FRONT ROOMS for light housekeeping. Inquire evenings or noons, top floor, 151 Main street.

TO RENT—Four-room furnished flat for light housekeeping improvements. No children. Inquire 13 Academy street.

TO RENT—A few furnished rooms with all improvements. Phone 258-J2.

FURNISHED ROOMS—With improvements. Inquire at 22 Pine street.

GENTLEMAN ROOMER WANTED—Front room, modern conveniences, 200 Main street.

FURNISHED ROOMS—13 Church street, rooms for one or two. All conveniences. Phone 549-J.

LOST AND FOUND.
LOST—From taxi, December 4, between D. & H. station and 11 Center street, black seal mail, containing veil and mittens. Reward. Return to Star office and receive reward.

LOST—On Chestnut or Main streets, a black mail. Finder return to Gildersleeve's drug store.

LOST, STRAYED OR STOLEN—Tuesday, December 4, black and white pup, named "Dixie." Please notify Star office or 25 Chestnut street.

FOUND—A mail, on Oneonta state road. Owner can have found by identifying and paying for advertisement. Inquire at Star office.

FARMS WANTED.
WANTED—To rent, with privilege of buying, place of about 10 acres for chicken farm. Good buildings and fruit. G. M. care Star.

SUMMER CAMPS.
TO RENT OR FOR SALE—Camp on Goodgey lake. Inquire of Mrs. Zilla Van Delft 245 Main street.

STORAGE.
CLEAN, DRY STORAGE TO RENT—A. H. Murdoch, Market street.

LOANS.
LOANS MADE on good security. Levey, 234 Main street.

Headache, Lumbago, Neuralgia Must Go

Rub on Mustarine and All Pains and Aches Must Go in a Few Minutes

—In Half the Time it Takes Other Remedies.

Sell 25 Cents a Box.

Bevy's Mustarine is the quickest pain killer on earth and every one who has used it knows it. Why should anyone use slow acting Hallenbergs or weak salves when one application of Mustarine gives quick and real action.

It is the original non-blistering mustard prescription that almost 20 years ago took the place of blistering mustard plasters and it's made of real yellow mustard—no substitutes.

Hundreds of physicians have prescribed Mustarine for lumbago, gout, rheumatism, strains, sprains, neuralgia, chest pain, aching feet, neuralgia, chest in chest, pleurisy, bronchitis, swellings and all inflammation, aches and pains. Get Mustarine in yellow box for 25 cents.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS.
Pursuant to an order of Shirley L. Huntington, surrogate of the county of Otsego, justice is hereby given according to law to all persons having claims against the estate of George Theodore Yager, deceased, who is hereby given, according to law, that they are required to exhibit the same, with vouchers therefor, to the undersigned administrator of the goods, effects and credits of the said deceased, at the office of George L. Beckes, esq., in the city of Oneonta, on or before the first day of April next.

Dated, September 20, 1917.

ADMINISTRATOR, M. YAGER.
MARY L. BURROWS,
GRACE A. YAGER,
Administrators.

George L. Beckes,
Attorney for Administrators,
Oneonta, N. Y.

DELAWARE COUNTY NEWS

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private sale, contending that the creditors would be better served by this method than otherwise. He received the order and it was duly signed by all interested and during the past week sold the entire stock to C. C. Shaw, the well known merchant of this village, who will open the store for business Saturday. The price was \$900 and this money was placed in the bank to remain until the bankruptcy and foreclosure proceedings are carried out.

Good Work of Xmas Box Committee.
The Christmas box committee of the local Red Cross chapter in making its final report states that \$257.38 was received for this purpose. As already stated the chapter has packed and shipped 150 boxes and now has 30 more nearly ready for shipment to enlisted men in the United States. Among recent contributors were the Kayser Girls' auxiliary, \$9.51; and Sidney school, \$10.

Woman's Relief Corps Meets.
The annual meeting of the Woman's Relief corps was held Saturday evening. It was unanimously voted to purchase a service flag in honor of four sons who are in the service, Henry Smith, Raymond VanDeWalker, Lloyd Clark and William Palmer. The sum of \$10 was donated to Sidney Red Cross chapter. The following officers were elected: President, Estelle R. Smith; senior vice-president, Josephine Huyck; junior vice-president, Mrs. Wilson; chaplain, Cora Lawton; secretary, Eleanor Lane; treasurer, Frances Hoag; conductor, Hannah Chrisman; guard, Mary Pilgerald; musician, Alice Priny; delegate, Eleanor Lane; alternate, Rebecca Case.

Confer Floral Degree.
At the regular meeting of Sidney chapter, No. 256, O. E. S., next Tuesday evening, the Floral degree will be conferred upon a class of candidates. Light refreshments will be served. A short musical program has been arranged for the evening. A silver collection will be taken for the Eastern Star War Emergency fund.

Verdict Against Oneonta Grocery Co.
At the recent term of Otsego county supreme court an action was brought by the Oneonta Grocery company against Harold M. Preston to recover \$101 for groceries. Sewell & Franco of this village appeared for the defendant. Judge Carley has handed down his decision in the matter, finding a verdict against the plaintiffs with costs. Mr. Preston recently conducted an ice cream and confectionery store in Sidney, which was closed by a chattel mortgage foreclosure.

Sidney Grand Jurors.
In the list of grand jurors for Delaware county selected to serve during 1918 are the following from Sidney. Casper W. Sagerdort, W. H. Benedict, B. B. Bowman, John Rose, G. W. Cooley, A. V. Strait, B. E. Georgia, E. A. Gibson, E. Parker Rutenber, W. O. King, Daniel S. Gifford, F. M. Sager, W. A. Carley, E. N. Watties, C. C. Johnston, F. H. McKinnon, George B. Underwood, Fred Pomeroy, F. H. Cole, J. W. Young, Norval Stewart.

Sidney Noted Cuts.
Mayor B. E. Pudney, Sidney's Four-Minute-Man, will speak on the new trifurcated stamp and war saving certificate Saturday evening. Sunday, a daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Harry Quick of South Unadilla. Fred Curtis has returned from Oneonta, where he was called to see his sister, Mrs. L. A. Eaton, a former well-known resident of Sidney. Mrs. Eaton recently underwent a surgical operation at the Oneonta hospital and, though her physical condition has greatly improved, she has been mentally unbalanced since. — Mrs. Thomas Day of Oneonta was a recent guest of Mrs. G. A. Gregory, en route home from a visit in Norwich. — James W. Taylor of Oneonta visited his brother, S. D. Taylor, the first of the week.

FRESH FRANKLIN FACTS.
Franklin, Dec. 6. — Leroy Mackey has rented his large farm in South Franklin and is moving to his home near Franklin village. — Elmer Wiley has a position in Guilford for the winter. — Dr. and Mrs. L. C. Warren entertained at a dinner party on Wednesday evening. — The Woman in White at the Masonic theatre on Wednesday evening was well attended and enjoyed by all. Saturday evening will be "War and the Woman." — Tuesday evening, Dec. 11, there will be a special meeting of Oneonta chapter, O. E. S., at which time there will be work in the Star degree. Tuesday evening, Dec. 12, will be the regular meeting and election of officers. — Wednesday, Dec. 12, will be the regular monthly meeting of Au-Yu-let chapter, D. A. R., at the home of Mrs. Stewart. — This week Friday evening will occur the annual chicken pie supper of the Congregational church, which will be held at Masonic hall. — Mrs. Sanford has gone to Connecticut, where she has the offer of a fine position. — Warren Penfield has returned from Alberta, where he has been for the past few weeks, looking after his farm interests in that place. — Mrs. Frederick Kinnle has returned to Delhi after spending a few days with her brother, George O. Burgin. — Mrs. William Phelps has returned to Franklin, after spending several weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Homan, in Unadilla. — Mrs. Phillips has been visiting at George Jennings in Treadwell. — M. C. Lowenstein, the optician, is in town this week. — C. C. Colburn and son of Oneonta are in town with a big line of goods. They will be at Franklin Inn until December 7. — A regular communication of Franklin lodge, No. 522, F. & M. A. M., was held this week Wednesday evening. — A Choral club of 20 voices has been organized in the Congregational church, and Christmas eve the can-

tata, "The Angel and the Star." will be given under the direction of Mrs. L. C. Warren, leading soprano, and Mrs. Jackson. — The Franklin stores are beginning to remind one of the Christmas season with their decorations and display of Christmas goods. — The Washington club met with Miss A. A. Jennings Monday evening. The Thursday Afternoon Reading Club meets this week.

ADDRESS BY CAPTAIN OLIVEAU.
French Officers Interests and Thrills Large Delhi Audience.

Delhi, Dec. 6.—Captain Robert Oliveau of the French army delivered an interesting and patriotic address to a very large audience at the court house last evening. His remarks were interesting. He did not claim to be an orator, but a soldier. He gave good reasons why American and French soldiers can fight side by side in the pending war as both were striving for the same high ideals. A representative of the state organization of the Y. M. C. A. also spoke in behalf of what the association had been and were intending to do for the benefit of our soldiers at the several cantonments in this country and across the sea.

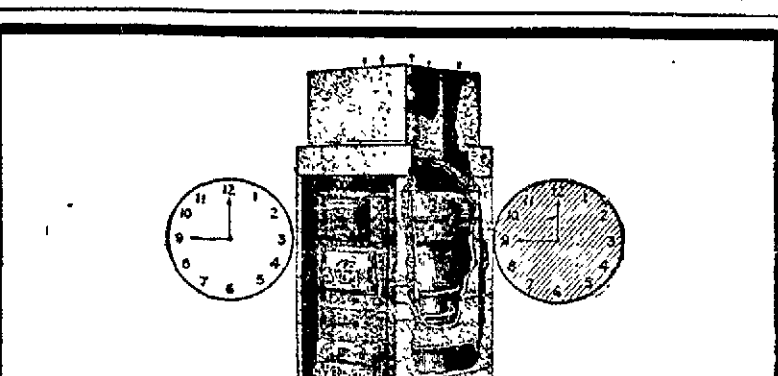
Delaware County Farm Bureau.
The annual meeting of the Delaware county Farm Bureau will be held here Dec. 19. It is expected that there will be a large attendance.

Commercial Club.
A meeting of the Commercial club was held last evening. It was resolved to appoint a committee to put on at the opera house in the near future a series of entertainments to raise funds for the Y. M. C. A. and Red Cross work. The committee was appointed and an adjournment of a week taken to perfect arrangements.

Coal Shortage Here.
The shortage of coal is beginning to be felt in Delhi. The Delaware County Electric Light and Power company which supply light to the village, and the public and private buildings here have been entirely had they not succeeded in borrowing some of Bovina dealers. It is said that the Domestic science building of the State Agricultural school will close its doors for a few days until a supply can be procured. Private houses are restricted to a small amount each.

HEARD IN HOBART.
Hobart, Dec. 6. — The business and social meeting of the Epworth league will be held tonight, Dec. 6, at the home of Mrs. Lewis Seamen. — The Rebekah lodge of Hobart is planning a Christmas party, to be held Saturday night, Dec. 22. The Odd Fellows are invited and a silver collection will be taken for the benefit of the Hobart Red Cross. — The receipts of the Christmas sale and supper given by the Ladies' Aid society of the Presbyterian church were \$113.40. — Miss E. J. Decker was a recent guest of Watson Thornington at Grand Gorge. — Jake Dietrich is driving a new Buick car. — Mrs. W. H. Sheffield, Mrs. Susan Cowan, Mrs. F. More, Mrs. E. A. Ackley and Mrs. J. R. Stevenson were callers in Oneonta yesterday. — Mrs. Raymond Keator and little daughter left Wednesday for Oneonta, where they will make their future home. Mr. Keator has a position on the D. & H. railroad. — William R. Colman of the Naval Militia is in a hospital in New York, suffering with an attack of the mumps.

Passed muster—Attention company — Kilpatrick in the front ranks of coffee. Talk it over. — adv t f



Timely Savings in These Big Pre-Holiday Shoe Specials

Women's Shoes in a variety of styles and patterns, values up to \$1, all sizes in the lot **\$1.95**

Women's Shoes in Button and Lace styles. Patent and Gun Metal leathers. Values up to \$5. All sizes **\$2.95**

Women's Shoes in Vied Kid, Patent Colt, Gun Metal Calf and Tan leathers. Numerous styles. Values up to \$6 **\$3.95**

Men's Shoes at \$1.95, \$2.95, \$3.95, and \$4.95.

Boy's Shoes at \$1.95 — Girl's Shoes at \$1.69.

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Bitter Cold, and Yet How Comfortable One Feels With One of Our Fine Fur Coats

In Ladies' we have beautiful Musk Rat, Raccoon, Black Imported Pony Skin, Satin lined, full length at \$60. Can't be duplicated for \$85.

Ladies' Black Dog, Wool Seal, Australian Lamb, Opossum, Black or Brown Australian Lamb Coats. 3-4 length, 32 and 34 sizes only, at \$9.95. Better grades at \$30 and upwards.

Men's Fur and Fur Lined Coats in large variety. We made early contracts, thereby saving 25 per cent to our customers. No duplicate orders taken at our present prices. These fine Coats must be seen to be appreciated. Excellent Broadcloth with Musk Rat, Marmot, Martin and other standard fur linings. A few Cloth Coats for men and women, with Fur Collars only.

Mackinaw and Sheep lined Teamster Coats at prices not equalled. Raccoon Plain, Raccoon Musk, Rat Trimmed, Musk Rat Skins, Satin lined, Black Dog, Black Lamb, quilted lining. Galaway Black or Brown, Plain or Nutria Collars and Cuffs.

A lot of other Winter Coats for men and women, some second hand at \$10 and \$15 each. A quantity Women's Fur Caps \$2.50 each.

One thousand pair Men's Work Gloves purchased at bankrupt factory sale at 48c and 75c a pair. Fine Dress Gloves at \$1.25 and upwards. Beautiful Fur Gloves at \$3.50 and \$5.00 a pair. Auto Gloves in big variety, all at

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GERMAN DESPOT MUST NOT LIVE

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but one conclusion. The government must aid in providing the skilled labor necessary and leave it at home and also must adopt a policy of price fixing. It will do no good to fix one price if another soars skyward. It is not surprising, therefore, to see that the President asks for greater power of price fixing. The farmer has been given one of our most serious problems to solve. He should see that his problems are laid before the President and congress. He owes this to himself and to the nation and the better his difficulties are understood the more aid will be given him in his solution. The speaker was given close attention and when he concluded was loudly cheered.

The Business Session.

The morning session was devoted to the business matters of the association. The lobby was filled with an active committee enlisting new members, and the day netted about 225

ONLY POWERFUL MEDICINE WILL END RHEUMATISM

It matters not whether you have had agonizing pains from rheumatism for 20 years of distressing twinges for 20 weeks. Rheumatism is strong enough and mighty and powerful enough to drive rheumatic poisons from your body and abolish all misery or money back. Drugists everywhere are authorized to sell Rheuma on a no-cure-no-pay basis. A bottle contains 15 days' treatment at a cost of only five cents a day, and after you take the small dose as directed once a day for two days you should know that at last you have obtained a remedy that will conquer rheumatism.

For over five years throughout America Rheuma has been prescribed by broad-minded physicians and has released thousands from agony, pain and despair. Get a bottle at once for trial from H. B. Gildersleeve.

new members and renewals, and it was estimated that over 1,100 were in attendance upon Farm Bureau day. The slogan adopted for the coming year, "Increased Yield Per Acre for 1918," was conspicuously displayed upon a banner over the stage. Much interest and enthusiasm was shown, the gathering being indicative of a widespread interest in the advancement of agriculture and the fact that the bureau is well beyond the experimental stage and an assured institution of great value.

President E. M. Smith opened the session with some brief but pointed remarks in which he advocated the federation of all the county bureaus. He expressed a conviction that more can be accomplished by united efforts apart from political activities and suggested that when the Dairywomen's league or the Farm Bureaus engage upon political activities the steps will mark the beginning of the end of their usefulness. He urged the movement for united effort and centralizing the activities. The report of the last annual meeting was read by H. Guy Roberts of Oakville, the secretary. The report of the treasurer, C. J. Armstrong of Milford, was then given. It is printed later in this article.

Report of Bureau Agent Barlow. Mr. Barlow in his report, which was given without manuscript, declared that the work of the year had given the lie to the supposition that the work was designed for the few, as the activities had been devoted especially to the promotion of the interests of the average farmer, and that his work had been confined quite largely to the small and the hill farms. Briefly summarized, he has made 351 calls upon farms. Mr. Chase, his assistant, has made 524 such calls. The office has received 913 calls from farmers. Mr. Barlow has addressed 109 gatherings, at which there were in attendance 6,758 people. He attended four breeders' meetings, at which 795 were in attendance.

Owing to the unfavorable season

and the scarcity of labor many field tests inaugurated were not completed. Of 13 line tests all showed increased yield and improved quality of hay and oats. Five tests of carefully selected seed as against bin-run seed recorded an increased yield of 22 bushels to the acre. Nine spraying tests of three sprays at least shows an increased yield of 21.98 bushels of potatoes. The effectiveness of the organization has been demonstrated. When it was decided to interest the members in food conservation and crop production, 115 committeemen met in Oneonta and returned home and held 46 meetings, at which there was an attendance of 4,919 and 54 outside speakers were secured and the subject brought home as it could have been in no other way. When the third Liberty loan is floated, the work among the farmers of Otsego county, who are willing to do their part, should be entrusted to the bureau as the best possible organization for the task.

Relative to plans for the coming year, Mr. Barlow said that the advisory board has planned five definite things:

1. The taking of a community survey by the community organization.
2. Holding one winter meeting for the purpose of organization.
3. Quarterly reports to the local chairman and they in turn to the county agent.
4. Purchase by communities of bulletin boards for posting notices.
5. Taking a seed survey, including seed for sale not in demand locally and seed required that cannot be secured locally.

In closing Mr. Barlow said that despite the fact that the shortage of labor will be even greater than last year, that all should strive to exceed last year's production. This can be accomplished by efforts to follow the motto, "Increased Yield per Acre for 1918."

The reports of the various breeders' clubs were read and while they were interesting and showed much progress, the chief features have been given in previous accounts of the activities of the various clubs.

The Farmer and the War.

Before the election of officers Granville Rathbun of Oneonta spoke briefly but pointedly upon the farmer in relation to the war. He said that with the discouragements of the year and the taking away of farm help he found himself inclined to declare that he would not make such an effort another year. This we must not do. We should make a stern resolve to do our part. We should send our Farm Bureau presidents to Washington to explain the shortage of labor and request that our trained men be left at home and returned to us from the trenches. Upon motion and by unanimous rising vote, the president of the organization was instructed to so act.

Officers Re-elected.

After the new constitution had been read, it was formally adopted without dissent. Then John D. Carey of Richfield Springs was recognized and after words commendatory of the present officers, he declared that the present is no time to try new and inexperienced officers and moved that the secretary cast one ballot for the re-election of the present officers. Mr. Carey declared that Otsego county has the best executive board in the state, working with the best bureau manager and the organization should be left alone. The resolution was seconded and promptly adopted.

The officers are:
President—Frank M. Smith of Springfield.
Vice President—Claude M. Bulson of Schenectady.
Secretary—H. Guy Roberts of Oakville.
Treasurer—C. J. Armstrong of Milford.
Executive Committee—A. W. Brown of Plainfield, Waldo C. Johnston of Cooperstown, H. Greeley Brown of Otsego, A. O. Chamberlain of Richfield Springs, Henry Marlette of Laurens.

Before adjournment a campaign to increase the membership was launched, it being urged that with 5,000 farms in the county, the membership of 1,700, though the largest in the state, should be increased and kept to the fore. At the suggestion of John D. Cary of Richfield Springs, who had been nominated as chairman of the committee, the selection of the committee was left to the executive committee.

The meeting, though preceded by two of surpassing interest, was a most profitable and successful one and the standard which has been thought for two years to be difficult to maintain, has been moved still higher by the meeting of 1917.

Treasurer's Report.

Report of the treasurer of the Otsego County Farm Bureau association from December 4, 1916, to December 6, 1917:

Receipts.

Balance on hand Dec. 4, 1916, \$	502.56
Membership fees	1,518.00
Board of Supervisors	2,750.00
Local contributions	1,228.02
Advertising in Bureau News	436.12
State fair cattle premiums	500.00
Refunds	34.57
Miscellaneous items	14.02
Interest on bank account	27.04
Total	\$7,080.14

Disbursements.

Manager	\$1,583.33
Stenographic help	801.31
Assistant	196.00
Manager, travel	174.32
Assistant, travel	60.02
New car	374.85
Gasoline and oil	169.49
Repairs	296.99
Miscellaneous	39.16
Tires	256.41
Barn rent, etc.	32.88
Freight and express	5.76
Telephone and telegraph	111.16
Stationery	161.23
Postage	92.12
Field tests	51.65
Miscellaneous and supplies	34.38
Bureau News	\$37.46
Other Printing	124.45
Extension work	11.27
Scientific equipment	9.90
General miscellaneous	406.52
Cow testing	93.00
State Fair—freight and expenses	294.00
Transferred to Home Economics	100.00
Total	\$6,328.66
Total receipts	\$7,080.14
Total disbursements	6,328.66

Balance on hand Dec. 6, 1917, \$ 751.48

Report of the treasurer of the Otsego County Farm Bureau association, Home Economics department, from December 4, 1916, to December 6, 1917:

Receipts.

Balance on hand Dec. 4, 1916 \$	589.72
County of Otsego appropriation	750.00
Agricultural department	31.25
Membership fees	456.25
Transferred from Farm Bureau funds	100.00
Total	\$1,927.22

Disbursements.

Salaries	\$ 376.61
Travel and hotel expenses	432.09
New automobile	389.21
Automobile supplies and repairs	220.98
Office supplies	106.65
Stationery and postage	55.89
Telephone and telegrams	31.13
Freight and express	8.49
Demonstration, supplies and equipment	84.74
Bureau News and other printing	150.07
Miscellaneous items	20.66
Total	\$1,876.52
Total receipts	\$1,927.22
Total disbursements	\$1,876.52

Balance on hand Dec. 6, 1917, \$ 50.70

Afternoon Session.

Opening the afternoon session the theatre orchestra rendered selections while the audience was assembling. President Smith introduced Mayor A. E. Coperley, who made a happy address of welcome in which he related some amusing incidents, congratulated the Otsego County Farm Bureau upon its notable success and accomplishments and assured all present that Oneonta welcomes the members, always is glad to have them come, whether they have money to spend here or not and is especially glad to welcome the Home Economics department as the "last word." President Smith responded, expressing the thanks of the organization for the cordial words of the mayor.

The Dairywomen's League.

J. D. Beardsley was upon the program as the first speaker of the afternoon, his subject assigned being "The Milk Situation." After a few words, Mr. Beardsley announced that H. J. Kirchhoff of Verona, one of the executive committee of the league, was present and would outline the situation. Mr. Kirchhoff made a stirring speech in which he cleared up some misapprehensions relative to the league and its attitude. He stated that the prices made for November and December were at the request of Mr. Hoover and that when accepted, with 1½ cent advance, the dealers in New York raised the price at retail in like amount, but when the dealers attempted to make a further raise December 1, an effort was made to create the impression in New York city that the advance was due to a milk trust and put the odium upon the league. This was shown to be false, yet it was some time before it was clear in New York and the threatened prosecution of the league avoided. Since election, and it could not be used for political purposes, agreement has been reached whereby a commission of Mr. Hoover's own appointment is conducting hearings, the price to be fixed after investigating the conditions for the first three months of the new year. It is being shown by the testimony of milk producers about the state that the cost of production is from 9 to 11 cents and that 7 cents results in loss. The committee said Mr. Kirchhoff has a difficult problem on its hands to fix a price that will be remunerative to the producer, allow the dealers 4 cents for distribution and not raise the price to the consumer. He expressed confidence in the outcome.

I have heard said the speaker that the farmers are less patriotic than any other citizens and some say they are more patriotic. Probably neither is true. They are as patriotic as their forefathers and will do their part to win the war.

Following President Schurman, Miss E. Louise Hinds of Richfield Springs gave some clever readings, displaying exceptional talent. Many of her selections were mirthful and created much amusement so admirably were they rendered. It was a treat that all enjoyed, her final number, Our Flag and Your Flag, being effectively given.

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Prof. Flora Rose, speaking for the Home Economics, was the last speaker of the afternoon. She emphasized the fact that while the big things are essential for the success of the war there are some things which are called little yet have a very important bearing upon the outcome—far more important than many realize. Many men said the speaker have been changed from producers to agents of destruction and they require even more of food, clothing, etc., than when they were producers. We are going ahead almost prodigally with the use of non-renewable natural resources such as coal and metals and of many other commodities the demand is greater than we can meet. If we do not conserve them we may find their use conscripted. We are doing very little if we observe wheatless and meatless days and we can be just as well nourished if we refrain from white bread and substitute oats and corn for the wheat and eat less sugar. She said milk was an excellent food and at the price or even higher is a cheap food compared with others. In closing she paid her compliments to those whom she characterized as "present comfort shirkers."

WORLEY WOOD MADE CORPORATE
Though Only Two Weeks in Training, Oneonta Man Is Promoted.

Worley R. Wood, the young railroad man who had such difficulty in enlisting in the regular army because he had first been called in the draft only to be exempted as physically unfit, has been promoted to a corporal in Company D, 25th Engineers, Camp Devens, Ayer, Mass., after being only two weeks in training. Writing to friends in this city, he says that there are ten vacancies for sergeant in his regiment and he is going to get one of them.

In stating that he believed he would be in France by New Years, Corporal Wood points out that his regiment is being given the most intensive training. One day they drilled steadily for three hours and ten minutes without a rest, so that they might be "whipped into soldiers' fast."

His company consists mostly of men from the western states. But it has men of other races in it, too, so that nearly all but the Teutons are represented. "We have a full blooded Apache Indian," he writes, "a full blooded Hawaiian, a Chinaman, an Alaskan Indian, and I guess every other nationality on earth. The Chink is our cook."

The letter, dated December 3, tells of the Thanksgiving dinner the boys had at the camp—and when he says boys he means the drafted men from Oneonta as well, for he has seen them since he arrived. Here's the menu: Turkey, roast potatoes, gravy, stewed onions, olives, pudding, candy, oranges, grapes, chocolate, and apple pie. "Some feed for the army," says the corporal.

Broad Street Studio.
The Broad Street Studio will be open for business for the next two weeks to accommodate those wishing pictures for the holidays. W. W. Caulkins. advt. if

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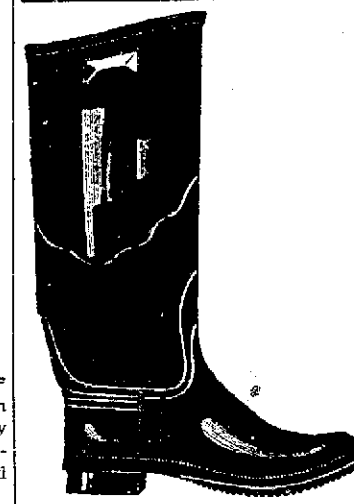
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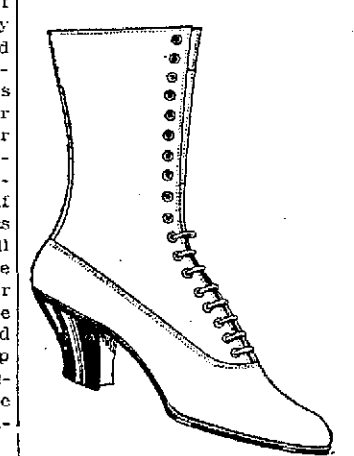
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